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MAYOR.

DUDLEY S. GREGORY.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL.

FIRST WARD.

WILLIAM CLARKE,
THOMAS B. DECKER,
THOMAS EARLE,
WILLIAM VOORHIES,

SECOND WARD.

WILLIAM R. BROWN,
MATTHEW ERWIN,
AUGUSTUS A. HARDENBERGH,
JOHN McBRIDE.

THIRD WARD.

JOSEPH M. BROWN,
CHARLES M. HANKINS,
ROBERT McLAUGHLIN,
CORNELIUS VAN VORST.

FOURTH WARD.

WILLIAM ROOSEVELT,*
JONATHAN V. THURSTON, PRESIDENT,
THOMAS E. TILDEN,
MELANCTHON S. WICKWARE.

CITY CLERK.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY.

MARSHAL.

NATHANIEL ELLIS.

* William Roosevelt resigned, August 10th, 1858, and at a special election held in the Fourth Ward, August 31st, 1858, Thomas D. Christie was elected to fill the vacancy.

COMMON COUNCIL.

BOARD OF 1858 AND 1859.

Pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter the Common Council met at the Common Council Chamber, on Monday, May 3d, 1858.

The Board was called to order by the City Clerk, at half past eight o'clock, P.M.

The roll was called, and the following Aldermen (being the entire Board) answered to their names.

FIRST WARD—William Clark, Thomas B. Decker, Thomas Earle, William Voorhies.

SECOND WARD—William R. Brown, Matthew Erwin, Augustus A. Hardenbergh, John McBride.

THIRD WARD—Joseph M. Brown, Charles M. Hankins, Robert McLaughlin, Cornelius Van Vorst.

FOURTH WARD—William Roosevelt, Jonathan V. Thurston, Thomas E. Tilden, Melanchton S. Wickware.

On motion of Alderman Erwin, Alderman Hardenbergh was appointed President pro tempore.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies the Board proceeded to the election of a President.

Aldermen Hankins and Voorhies were appointed acted as tellers.

Fifty-one ballotings were had which resulted as follows.—

NAMES.	BALLOTINGS.																									
	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th	19th	20th	21st	22d	23d	24th	25th	26th
	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.
Alderman Clark, received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.
" Decker, received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" Earle, received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	
" Voorhies, received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
" W.R.Brown, received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
" Erwin, received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
" Hardenbergh, received	..	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1
" McBride, received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" McLaughlin, received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" Van Vorst, received	5	7	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	4	4	4
" Thurston, received	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	2	2	2	3	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	2
" Tilden, received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	1	1	..	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1
" Wickware, received	8	6	7	7	6	8	7	7	7	6	7	6	7	7	7	6	7	7	7	6	6	6	7	7	6	6
Blanks cast	3	2	3	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	1	3	2	2	1	1	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..

NAMES.	BALLOTINGS.																									
	27th	28th	29th	30th	31st	32d	33d	34th	35th	36th	37th	38th	39th	40th	41st	42d	43d	44th	45th	46th	47th	48th	49th	50th	51st	
	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	VOTES.	
Alderman Clark, received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
" Decker, received,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	
" Earle, received,	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	
" Voorhies, received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	
" W. R. Brown, received,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	
" Erwin, received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
" Hardenbergh, received	5	5	5	5	4	4	6	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	1	1	2	1	2	3	2	3	2	2	
" McBride, received	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
" McLaughlin, received	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
" Van Vorst, received	2	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	
" Thurston, received,	3	4	4	4	5	4	5	5	7	7	6	7	6	6	4	6	7	6	5	4	4	5	4	3	4	
" Tilden, received	..	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	2	3	6	6	4	3	3	1	1	
" Wickware, received	6	5	5	6	6	5	4	4	4	5	5	4	5	4	4	4	4	5	4	3	3	3	3	5	5	
Blanks cast	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	2	3	..	..	

Between the twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh ballotings, on motion of Alderman Hankins the Board took a recess for fifteen minutes.

After the fifty-first balloting, on motion of Alderman Voorhies the Board adjourned to meet again at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday the fourth instant, at 7½, p.m.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

An adjourned meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, May 4th, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P.M.

The Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clark, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt, Thurston, Van Vorst, Tilden and Wickware.

Aldermen J. M. Brown and Voorhies were absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats; the former between the fifty-second and 'fifty-third ballotings, and the latter between the fifty-sixth and fifty-seventh ballotings for President.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, Alderman Hardenbergh was appointed President *pro tempore*.

The Board resumed the business before them at the adjournment on the 3d instant, the election of a President. Aldermen W. R Brown and Earle were appointed and acted as tellers, and ballotings were had, which resulted as follows:

NAMES.	BALLOTINGS— 52d votes.	53d votes.	54th votes.	55th votes.	56th votes.	57th votes.	58th votes.	59th votes.
Alderman Hardenbergh, received..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	1
" Thurston, received.....	2	2	2	2	4	7	8	9
" Tilden, received.....	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
" Van Vorst, received....	4	6	4	5	4	1	..	..
" Wickware, received.....	7	6	6	7	6	7	7	6
Blanks cast.....	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	..

On the fifty-ninth balloting Alderman Jonathan V Thurston having received the requisite number of votes was declared elected PRESIDENT of the COMMON COUNCIL.

Aldermen Erwin and Tilden were appointed a committee to conduct the President to his chair. The committee performed their duty, and the President briefly returned his thanks for the honor conferred upon him.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of City Clerk.

Aldermen Clarke and Wickware were appointed and acted as tellers,

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

George W Cassedy received sixteen votes,

Whereupon, George W. Cassedy was declared appointed City Clerk.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies it was—

Resolved, That until the further order of this Common Council, the rules and orders of the last Common Council be adopted for the government of the present Board.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was unanimously

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended to enable the Board to appoint a City Marshal, *viva-voce*.

Whereupon, on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, Nathaniel Ellis, was *viva-voce* appointed City Marshal.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was—

Resolved, That a committee to consist of one Alderman from each ward be appointed to wait upon his Honor the Mayor, and inform him that the Common Council is organized, and ready to receive any communication he may desire to make to them.

Aldermen Earle, Hardenbergh, Van Vorst and Wickware, were appointed such committee. The committee retired from the Common Council Chamber, and the Board took a recess until their return on motion of Alderman Erwin.

On the reassembling of the Board, the committee appointed to wait upon his Honor the Mayor, verbally reported that the Mayor was absent from his residence, and that they had not been able to see him.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of Corporation Printer.

Aldermen Hardenbergh and McBride were appointed and acted as tellers,

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

John A. Ryerson, received nine votes.

Telegraph, received one vote.

William B. Dunning, received five vote.

One blank was cast.

Whereupon John A. Ryerson was declared appointed Corporation Printer.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of Corporation Attorney.

Aldermen Hardenbergh and McBride were appointed and acted as tellers.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Richard D. McClelland, received twelve votes.

William H. Jeliffe, received one vote.

Stephen B. Ransom, received one vote.

Edgar B. Wakeman, received one vote

One blank was cast

Whereupon Richard D. McClelland was declared appointed Corporation Attorney

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board proceeded to the the appointment of Overseer of the Poor.

Aldermen Hardenbergh and McBride were appointed and acted as tellers

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

William Whitley, received thirteen votes.

Willey, received one vote

Two blanks were cast

Whereupon William Whitley was declared appointed Overseer of the Poor.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of Treasurer

Aldermen Hardenbergh and McBride were appointed and acted as tellers

A balloting was had which resulted as sollows:

Peter D Vroom, received ten votes.

A. S. Hatch, received four votes

One blank was cast

Whereupon Peter D. Vroom was declared appointed Treasurer.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of Comptroller

Aldermen Hardenbergh and McBride were appointed and acted as tellers

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Jaques V Hardenbergh, received sixteen votes

Whereupon Jaques V Hardenbergh was declared appointed Comptroller,

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of City Physician for the First and Second Wards

Aldermen Hardenbergh and McBride were appointed and acted as tellers.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Waters Burrows, received eleven votes

George Wilson, received one vote

Four blanks were cast

Whereupon Waters Burrows was declared appointed City Physician for the First and Second Wards

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be authorized to have one hundred copies of the City Charter printed in pamphlet form.

On motion of Alderman Wickware it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet at the Common Council Chamber, on Tuesday, the 11th instant at 7½ o'clock, P M

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board then adjourned

GEO W CASSEDY, City Clerk

Adjourned Meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, May 11th, 1858, at half past seven o'clock p. m.

Present—All the Members of the Board.

The President announced the following as the STANDING COMMITTEES of the Board.

Finance—Aldermen Van Vorst, Hardenbergh and Earle.

Schools—Aldermen Hardenbergh, Voorhees and Clarke.

Laws and Ordinances—Aldermen Voorhees, Wickware, and Van Vorst.

Alms—Aldermen Erwin, Hankins, and Tilden.

Assessments—Aldermen Earle, McLaughlin, and Van Vorst.

Streets—Aldermen W. R. Browne, Earle, and Wickware.

Fire and Water—Aldermen McLaughlin, Decker, and Roosevelt.

Police—Aldermen Hankins, Decker, and J, M. Brown.

Sewers—Aldermen Tilden, W. R. Brown, and McBride.

Lamps—Aldermen Clarke, Hardenbergh, and Tilden.

Licences—Aldermen Decker, McLaughlin, and J. M. Brown.

Ferries and Wharves—Aldermen McBride Roosevelt, and Erwin.

Salaries, Offices, and Elections—Aldermen Wickware, Erwin, and Voorhees.

Public Health—Aldermen Roosevelt, McBride, and W. R. Brown.

Public Grounds and Buildings—Aldermen J. W. Brown, Harkins, and Clarke.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and deposed as of follows:

Petitions of Patrick Hurley, Charles Graham, Joseph Carrol, Jonathan H. Baldwin, Peter Rourke, Chancellor W. Chase, Alfred Berry, Thomas Callahan, and Edmund Gordon to be appointed Policemen

Referred to the Aldermen of the First Ward.

Petitions of John Murphy, William Mollett, Michael Kilcauley, Stephen Jaquins, Thomas Fallon, Francis Hevey, John Burnes, J. A. Bunkle, James Mann, Peter Sheel, John O'Donnell, John G. Carroll, James H. Groves, Martin Ward, Stephen Bennett, Stephen W. Treadwell, and Thomas S. Robbins, to be appointed Policemen.

Referred to the Aldermen of the Second Ward.

Petitions of Jarves L. *Ayres*, Garret Hogan, Robert Duffy, Patrick Jordan. John Dugan, Timothy Curren, Abrm. Winfield, Bradford C. Pilet, James Moulds, Daniel McNamara, Julian P. Chazotte, Henry Truman, Michael McLaughlin, James C. Smith, William D. Sloan, and George Appleton, to be appointed Policemen.

Referred to the Aldermen of the Third Ward.

Petitions of John B. Davis, John D. Thomson, Charles Rodgers, Henry P. Robertson, Charles P. Seeley, John A. Van Voorhies, Michael McNulty, Peter W. Griffith, William Daley, A. C. Carman, Robbins Holloway, Samuel Bennett, Alexander McCarter, Abraham Garrabrant, John W. Sanford, John O'Halloran, John A. Topping, Matthew Bradley, and Paul Townsend, to be appointed Policemen.

Referred to the Aldermen of the Fourth Ward.

Petition of Charles A. Woolsey and others, to have George C. Clarke appointed a Policeman to be detailed for special duty at the Ferry and Railroad Depot.

Referred to the Committee on Police.

Petitions of Joseph S. Hencil and Levi W Towle, to be appointed Chief of Police.

Referred to the Committee on Police.

Petitions of William N. Strong and John Ayres to be appointed Aids to the Chief of Police.

Referred to the Committee on Police.

Petition of Owen Rourke to have the sale of his lot, No. 15 Railroad Avenue, in Block 89, made June 23d, 1856, for taxes of 1855, cancelled.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Petition of the Heirs of J. B Coles and others, for regulating, paving, etc., Grove street, between North Third street and the Mill Creek.

Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of R. *Winslow* for permission to unload coal at the foot of Barrow street, on the Morris Canal.

Referred to the Committee on Ferries and *Wharves*.

Petition of Thomas Clark for a license to keep a junk shop at *No.* 149 *Warren* street,

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petitions of Louis Shunk, Patrick Maloney, James King, and Felix Jordan, for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit, and vegetables.

Referred to the Committeee on Licenses.

Petition of Patrick Geary for a license to keep a junk shop, at No. 260 Railroad Avenue in the Third *Ward*.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Official bond of Richard D. McClelland as Corporation Attorney.

Referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Official bonds of John G. Haybeck as *Constable*; Philo Snow as Constable; *William Whitley* as Overseer of the Poor; P. D. Vroom as Treasurer; and George W. Cassedy as City Clerk.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of Edward D. Riely, to be reappointed City *Weigher* and Measurer.

Laid upon the table.

Petition of R. R. Rappleyea to be appointed Street Commissioner.

Laid upon the table.

Petition of *William* H. Gantier to be appointed Street Commissioner.

Laid upon the table.

Petition of Patrick Nolen to be appointed Pound Keeper of the Third ward. Laid upon the table.

Petition of George Wilson to be appointed City Physician for the Third and Fourth wards. Laid upon the table.

Official bond of Charles Fink as Water Commissioner.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies it was

Resolved, That the official bond of Charles Fink, as Water Commissioner, with Thomas D Jordan and John G McLaughlin as sureties, be approved and filed.

Official bond of Erastus Randall, as Water Commissioner

On motion of Alderman Tilden it was

Resolved, That the official bond of Erastus Randall, as Water Commissioner, with John S Fox and William Keeney as sureties, be approved and filed.

The following invitation from Brigadier General Hatfield was presented, received and accepted:

Hoboken, May 10th, 1858.

The Hon. the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City :—

On the 20th inst. the Hudson Brigade, under my command will assemble under arms for field duty, within the precincts of your city.

I take pleasure in tendering to the municipal authorities of Jersey City, a review of the troops upon that occasion If the object meets with the approbation of your honorable body, I shall be pleased to appoint the place, at some hour in the afternoon most convenient to yourselves.

Under the present law governing the militia of Hudson County, it is made auxiliary and subordinate to the civil authorities, in times of public discord and breaches of the peace. It therefore appears essential to the object contemplated in the law that, there should at all times exist on the part of the one, an assurance of the just appreciation and consideration of the public and the authorities, and with the other, such proof as will cause them to feel a confidence in the willing support of the military whenever their services may be required. To this end, a mutual feeling of respect is necessary.

With such objects in view, in connection with those proofs of consideration which the public authorities are always entitled to, and especially from the military of this County, under the existing law, that, I tender to your honorable body a review of the Hudson Brigade.

Very Respectfully yours, &c.,

J T HATFIELD,

Brig. Gen. Hudson Brigade.

Claims and accounts were presented received and those upon the table were taken up and disposed of as follows:—

Of Alexander Love, $484 45; Thomas Royle, $73 62; Edward Coles, $35; Peter Hall, $32 42; Jasper Wandle, $31 25; and 31 25; J. B. Stone, $30: Hugh McComb, $19 46: David Bedford $13; Stephen Quaife, $10, and P H Nugent, $5 25.

Referred to the Committer on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of William Whitley, $150; Daily Telegraph, $125; W. Burrows, $100; Bernard McAnally, $10 80; Cornelius T. Frazer, $8; R, S. Tilden. $8; George McCrindell, $8; E. Andrews, $7 50, and Daily Telegraph, $3 75.

Referred to the committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of Police Department, $1411 36; Nathaniel Ellis, $34 72; J. F. Richardson, $13; T. N. Blaisdell, $5, and McGuigan & Nugent, $175.

Ref to the Committee on Police.

Of Daily Telegraph, $394 25 and $40 75; Coleman & Dunning, $40 75; Daily Telegraph, $23 50 and $20, and Coleman & Dunning, $1.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Of Drayton & Durant, $228 90; Hugh Riley, $57 10; Seth Billington, $22 50, and S. A. French, $4 87.

Referred to the Committee on Alms.

Of *A*. B. Reynolds, $56 92 ; Hugh Billingsley, $23 ; J. F. Richardson, $21 50 and $20 95.

Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Of Alexander M. C. Smith, $273 50 ; Woolsey & Woolsey, $29 72, P. H. Nugent, $23 88, and James McLaughlin, $10.

Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Alexander Love, $693 75 and I. B. & D. E. Cylver, $37 50.

Referred to the Committee on Streets.

The following claims and accounts referred to the Committee on Alms of the last Common Council were reported correct and ordered paid.

Of Kemp & Ward, $539 27 ; Henry Taylor, $61 81 ; R.B. Kashow, $38 18 ; David Bedford, $10, and Phillips and Dodge, $6.

The Annual Message of His Honor the Mayor was presented and read, and the following resolution was offered by Ald. Hankins and adopted.

Resolved, That the Message of His Honor the Mayor, and the accompanying documents be published in the Jersey City papers, and five hundred copies printed in pamphlet form under the direction of the City Clerk.

The Annual Reports of the Chief of Police, City Physician for the First and Second Wards, Overseer of the Poor and Superintendent of the Alms House, were presented, received and ordered to be published in the Jersey City papers, and in pamphlet form in connection with the Mayor's message.

The City Treasurer's Report for April, 1858, showing a balance in the Treasury on the 1st May, instant, of $7,108 14, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The Recorder's Report for the quarter ending April 30 1858, was presented, received and ordered to be published, in the Corporation paper.

A communication from the City Treasurer, reporting the payment to him of ninety three dollars and thirty two cents, in settlement of the assessment upon property of S J Edelstein, for filling Morgan street, from Warren to Prospect st, which was settled by arbitration, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A certificate of Edward Coles, City Surveyor, accompanied by a diagram, showing the amount of earth filling on Hamilton Square, was presented, received, and referred to the Comon Public Grounds and Buildings.

The official bond of Louis B Cobb as Water Commissioner, referred to the Corporation Attorney on the 27th ultimo, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form—and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the official bond of Louis B Cobb, as Water Commissioner, with Selah Hill and Monroe Howell as sureties, be approved and filed.

The City Clerk laid before the Board a remonstrance filed in his office May 6th, 1858, at 9 oclock A M., against the building of the South First street sewer. The remonstrance was referred to the committee on sewers.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of the filing of the report and map of the Commissioners of estimate and assessment for building a sewer in South First street and streets adjacent. The report was received and ordered filed.

A statement by the Board of Canvassers of the result of the election held by the Fire Department on the 4th inst., was presented, received, and ordered filed.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the election on the 4th instant by the Fire Department of Jersey City of Samuel A French, as Chief Engineer of said Department ; of Adrian B Reynolds, as Assistant Engineer, from the First ward ; James McLaughlin, Assistant Engineer from the Second ward ; John B Haight, Assistant Engineer from the Third ward ; and John G Haybeck, Assistant Engineer from the Fourth ward ; and of Thos. Royle as a "Commissioner of the Jersey City Fire Department" for five years ; be approved and confirmed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department announcing the election of Thomas V. Foster as a member of Engine Co. No. 5 , and the resignations of Thomas S. Holmes from Hose Company No. 1, Jarvis L. Ayres and Henry M. Baker from Hose Company No. 2, and Isaac H. Baker from Hose Company No. 3. The communications were received and the action of the Fire Commissioners approving of said election and resignations was confirmed.

Alderman Hankins as chairman of the special and joint committee of the late Board, which in conjunction with the Street Commissioner was authorized to advertise for proposals for the improvement of Van Vorst Square, presented a sealed proposal, being the only one received in answer to the advertisement of said joint committee.

The proposal was opened, read and found to be from Keeney and Halladay, accompanied by a bond for the fulfillment of the contract.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted.

Resolved, That the proposal of Keeney and Halladay, and the accompanying bond for the contract to improve Van Vorst Square presented this evening by the Chairman of the Special and Joint Committee of the late Board, who in conjunction with the Street Commissioner were instructed to and did advertise for proposals for said contract and in answer to their advertisement received this proposal only, be referred to a special committee of three, and to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, and Street Commissioner, with authority to enter into contract with the aforesaid Keeney & Hallady, provided the said joint committee and Street Commissioner deem it to the interest of the city to do so ; said contract to be submitted to the Common Council for its approval before being binding upon the city.

Aldermen Hankins, Van Vorst and Clarke were appointed as the special committee.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies it was

Resolved, That a special committe be appointed to take charge of the Washington Square improvement to act in conjunction with the committee on public grounds and buildings and Street Commissioner,

Aldermen Voorhies, Clarke, Earle and Hardenbergh were appointed such special committee,

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That the hour of meeting of this Common Council shall be half-past seven o'clock, P.M,

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the finance committee be requested to report the tax ordinance as soon as practicable,

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the committee on salaries, offices and elections be requested to report the salary ordinance as soon as practicable,

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That for the purpose of facilitating the business of the Common Council, and ensuring correctness in the accounts of the Corporation, the City Clerk is hereby instructed to have printed two thousand bill heads, with the required affidavits attached, and endorsed with the proper references to the different committees ; said blanks, when applied for, to be furnished by the City Clerk to parties having claims against the corporation of Jersey City.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That all extra printing ordered by the Common Council be done under contract, and that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to contract with the lowest bidder for the above printing, if it be to the interest of the city so to do.

Alderman Hnrdenbergh moved "That at the first regular meeting of the Common Council in June, the appointment of Chief of Police and Aids to the Chief of Police, be the special order."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Wickware, Erwin and the President.

Yeas—President Thurston, Ald. J M Brown, W R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Mc Bride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—Ald. Tilden and Wickware.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board proceeded to the appointmen of Street Commissioner.

Aldermen Hankins and Voorhies were appointed and acted as tellers,

Ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First Balloting,

John D Nolan received eight votes,

Sylvester Keeney received two votes,

Hugh Keenan received four votes,

William H Gautier received one,
One blank was cast,
Second Balloting,
Hugh Keenan received five votes,
John D Nolan received seven votes,
Sylvester Keeney received two votes,
William H Gautier received one vote,
One blank was cast,
Third balloting—
John D Nolan received seven votes,
Hugh Keenan received seven votes,
Richard R Rappleyea received one vote,
Sylvester Keeney received one vote,
Fourth balloting—
Hugh Keenan received six votes,
William H Gautier received one vote
John D Nolan received eight votes,
One blank was cast,
Fifth Balloting,
Hugh Keenan received five votes
John D Nolan received nine votes
William H Gautier received one vote
Sylvester Keeney received one vote

On the Fifth balloting JOHN D NOLAN having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed STREET COMMISSIONER

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board proceeded to the appointment of Collector of Arrears of Taxes

The same tellers acted

Ballotings were had as follows:

First Balloting
George E Cutter received two votes
Jeremiah B Cleveland received six votes
Peter P Post received five votes
Henry E Insley received one vote
Two blanks were cast
Second Balloting
Gerge E Cutter received two votes
Jeremiah B Cleveland received six votes
Henry E Insley received three votes
Peter P Post received four votes
One blank was cast
Third Balloting
Peter P Post received five votes
Jeremiah B Cleveland received three votes
George E Cutter received two votes
Henry E Insley received five votes
One blank was cast
Fourth balloting—
Henry E Insley received two votes
George E Cutter received four votes
Jeremiah B Cleveland received six votes
Peter P Post received three votes
One blank was cast
Fifth balloting
Henry E Insley received six votes
George E Cutter received three votes
Jeremiah B Cleveland received four vetes
Peter P Post received two votes
One blank was cast

After the fifth balloting on motion of Alderman Voorhies the further balloting for Collector of Arrears of Taxes was postponed

On motion ot Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of Collector of Assessesments

The same tellers acted

One balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Hugh McComb received twelve votes
George E Cutter received one vote
Three blanks were cast

Whereupon Hugh McComb having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed Collector of Assessments

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board proceeded to the appointment of a City Physician for the Third and Fourth wards

The same tellers acted

Ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First Balloting,
P. M Senderling, received five votes.
Joseph H. Vondy received seven votes.
Labaw received one vote.
George L. Brooks received two votes,
Second Balloting,
Labaw received two votes,
P. M. Senderling received six votes,
Joseph H Vondy received five votes
George Wilson received two votes,
George L. Brooks received one vote,
Third Balloting,
P M Sunderling received eight votes,
Joseph H Vondy received five votes,
George Wilson received one vote,
George L Brooks received one vote,
Labaw received one vote
Fourth Balloting,
P M Senderling received six votes,
Joseph H Vondy received eight votes,
George Wilson received one vote,
George L Brooks received one vote,
Fifth Balloting,
P M Senderling received ten votes,
Joseph H Vondy received five votes,
George L Brooks received one vote,

On the Fifth Balloting Philip M Senderling having received the requisite number of votes, was declared appointed City Physician for Third and Fourth Wards.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of City Weigher and Measurer,

The same tellers acted,

One balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Edward D Reily received eleven votes,
Labaw received one vote
William Sanderson received two votes,
Two blanks were cast,

Whereupon Edward D Reily having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed City Weigher and Measurer,

On motion of Alderman Voorhies the Board proceeded to the appointment of Superintendent of Ferries, Wharves and Piers.

The same tellers acted,

One balloting was had which resulted as follows:

William H Rommells received ten votes,
Edward D Reily received three votes-
Romaine received one vote,
Two blanks were cast,

Whereupon William H Rommells having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed Superintendent of Ferries, Wharves and Piers,

On motion of Alderman Hankins it was

Resolved, That the Board do now proceed to the appointment of a Board of Commissioners for Assessments,

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was unanimously

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended to enable the Board to appoint a Board of Commissioners for Assessments viva voce

Whereupon on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the following named parties were unanimously appointed a Board of Commissioners for Assessments

David Gould of the First ward
Jacob A Van Buskirk of the Second ward
James S Hutton of the Third ward
James Narine of the Fourth ward

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Voorhies and adopted

Resolved, That the committee on laws and ordinances be instructed to revise the rules and orders of this Common Council and report the same at the next regular meeting

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted:

Resolved, That the different standing committees, for the purpose of aiding the finance committee in preparing the 'tax ordinance' furnish said finance committee (at the next meeting of the Board) a statement of the amount of monies required by their respective committees for the ensuing year

On motion of Alderman Tilden it was

Resolved, That the President be requested to appoint a special committee on the petition of George McLaughlin and others to have Prospect street lots beginning one hundred feet south of Bay street to South Seventh street filed up to established grade and fenced, there being stagnant water upon them &c., the action of the Common Council on the

20th April, 1858, requiring a committee to be appointed not having been carried out

Whereupon the President appointed Aldermen Tilden, J M Brown and McBride as such special committee

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEO *W* CASSEDY, City Clerk.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, May 11th, 1858.

Gentlemen of the Common Council.

It is made my duty by the charter of the city "to recommend to the Common Council such measures as I may deem necessary or expedient for the welfare of the city" In compliance therewith I ask your attention during the term of your office, to the consideration of the following particulars. During my official term I may have occasion to refer to others.

While we are in the performance of duties devolving upon us in the well ordering of our city government, in the planning and extending of avenues and streets, and the erection of public buildings, we must look beyond the current year, on the bearing these will have in the future, and the influences therefrom on the residents, and property, beyond the present limits of our city. We have not only a rapid growth within, but an equal growth beyond, and adjoining our present boundaries. We must therefore look forward to annexation of additional territory, and the expansion of our laws, ordinances and powers over it. Whatever may tend to harmonize this blending of interests, and the promotion of good to all, now or hereafter, under the control of one city government, we are called upon in our progress to this result, to look well to the foundations we are now laying. Conjointly empowered to promote the public welfare, we must examine every source which may promote the growth and prosperity of our city. Let me direct your attention to the common claim we have with the people of the United States on the National Legislature for a participation in its resources. Wherever it collects its revenues the general government expends the necessary sum in providing itself a building for its accommodation. Our representative from this Congressional district, has been consulted on the claims we have for the erection of a Post Office and a Custom House, and I am assured he has taken the initiatory steps in Congress for these objects. Such a building or buildings may be made so commodious as to give ample accommodation also for the U. S. District Court to hold sessions therein, or for a mint or for both. You will therefore use every proper means with myself and the citizens, in pressing forward this application or right to a consummation.—While the revenue of the Post Office department collected in the County of Hudson, is equal to one fifteenth of all that is collected in the State of New Jersey, the proportion of the revenue derived from customs is still larger in comparing it with the whole amount collected. I have not been able to ascertain the annual sum collected at our wharves and piers from foreign commerce, on account of the blending it with the customs collected at all the shores of the port of New York, of which we form the left bank, yet when it is taken into consideration that there is collected in the port of New York more than one third of all the revenues derived by the general government from customs the whole being about sixty millions of dollars, and that the foreign tonnage discharging at our own city has equalled twenty-five thousand tons, ship measurement, in one year, it cannot be doubted that we have a substantial claim for government appropriations for its own accommodation here, while it is known that $146,800 has been appropriated for these objects in our neighboring city of Newark.

As a city government we have a direct interest in the resources of our State. We participate equally with all the townships and cities in the State, in forty thousand dollars of the school fund annually distributed among them.

The State has also made provision for the education and support of the indigent deaf and dumb, the blind and indirectly for the insane and idiotic. When such are found among us, we have a relief for them in these places of refuge, We have also a right to participate in common with other cities and townships in the State in the education of a number of pupils in the State Normal School, an advantage which I can not too earnestly urge upon the attention of our citizens. The advantages derivable from a free scholarship in that institution will compare with any other accessible institution, for the promotion of education and learning.

You will also keep in mind, the gratuity of Columbia College in the City of New York of a free scholarship under your selection, in that ancient and noble Institution. I understand this to be a permanent provision made by the College A valuable tabular statement has been furnished me, at my request by that faithful officer, E. W Kingsland, Esq., Hudson County Collector, which is appended hereto and market A, showing the amount of taxes raised upon and State School money distributed among, the several townships in the county for five years, viz: 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857.

From this and other documents, I find that the whole of the County Tax is twenty thousand dollars per annum, and that nearly one half of this tax is paid by the people and property in Jersey City. This amount constitutes about one half of the whole annual tax levied upon them. Since the year 1852 this tax has been double the sum formerly annually required. It is levied and expended by a Board in which our City is represented by a minority. A large proportion of this heavy tax, exclusive of the fees and costs collected, is required for the administration of Justice, and the support of a Jail and Workhouse. A detailed statement of the items comprising the receipts and expenditures by the County Board is annually published in a pamphlet form. I do not think that the knowledge of it comes home sufficiently to the people generally. I recommend that our City Representatives in that Board be respectfully requested to furnish, yearly, the Mayor and Common Council with the annual report, and that the Mayor give a summary thereof in his annual communication Appendix B exhibits such a summary for the last eight years. With the exception of a portion of school moneys divided from the State fund, and such sums as are received from licenses, and costs and penalties for breaches of the peace, or the ordinances of the city, the whole of the city government has to be supported by an annual tax levied upon the persons and property in the city. By the assessment roll, the annual city tax levy, including the county tax, water and poll tax, called for in 1853, in round numbers, was $69,000; 1854, $76,000; 1855, $105,000; 1856, $102,000; 1857, $107,000.

What amount of this was uncollected, I have not been able to ascertain. About three fifths of the poll tax is lost by not being collected. Were we able to restore the law formerly existing in this State, allowing no one to vote unless he had paid a poll tax within two years, this loss would to a great extent be obviated. That law was in its effect a judicious registry law to prevent illegal voting. The Comptroller's annual report and the documents marked C herewith, compiled by him at my request, will show you in what way these large sums have been expended.

As the document shows the appropriation under each head of expenditure, and the sum actually drawn from the treasury for the five years above mentioned, you are presented with a bird's eye view of the whole field of your financial operations, over which your deliberate judgment will be exercised in curtailing every needless or extravagant demand upon the finances of the city. In the paper marked D are the enquiries made by me of that officer which have elicited some of these tables

The Comptroller will furnish you with an estimate under the proper heads of the anticipated demands upon the City Treasury for the current fiscal year. These estimates will receive your scrutiny before being placed in the tax ordinance, which ordinance the Assessors will require so soon as their books are prepared. A watchful economy will be required by you to prevent an excess of expenditure over the amount raised. As this is the starting point of your annual duties you are called upon to review with gravity the past action of your predecessors and to lop off expenses not legitimately within the rule of sound economy. The demands upon the city are constantly increasing. With the increase and enlargement of the city there will be a natural growth of city expenses, and sustained by an increase in taxable property. Experience shows that the former is almost certain to outrun the latter. It is so much easier to spend money than to get it. I find that while in five years the values for the taxes with much straining upon the judgment of the Assessors, have been increased about thirty per cent, the tax levy has inereased more than fifty per cent. While we have a cautious, prudent, and consequently a trustworthy

Board of Aldermen, who in their representative character adopt the same economy and scrutiny which governs them in their private transactions, the public will give them their confidence.

In this way we shall prevent the complaint of heavy taxes, and guard against corruption from approaching the avenues of power and tainting with distrust an honest administration of public affairs. When large and growing cities have departed from this test of integrity, they have reason to complain of the heavy annual burthens accumulating upon them.

The Comptroller's report will exhibit to you the state of the Treasury and the debt of the city. By the delay in assessing the cost of improvements payable by the lots benefitted, their collection, and the redemption of improvement certificates in anticipation thereof, an inroad is made upon funds raised by the annual tax for specific objects. The treasury is thus often embarrassed, causing a resort to the borrowing of money not unfrequently difficult to be obtained, and detrimental to the good credit of our city. I find that a large sum remains outstanding in favor of the city for taxes and improvements not realized, some of which is not yet assessed.

This source of financial embarrassment demands prompt attention. The collection of some of these assessments have been long delayed, particularly a heavy sum expended upon the improvements in Grand street, on account of informality attending the ordering of the work. Persons feeling aggrieved by such heavy assessments resort to litigation to a great risk of loss by the city.

I cannot impress upon you too strongly the necessity of great caution in these preliminary steps.

I am already served with a notice of resistance of parties interested in the building of the main sewer in South 5th street and tributaries, a review of which may probably be prudent, and a correction of any misstep, if any has been taken.

Among the powers placed in the keeping of the Common Council by the Legislature, is that "to license, regulate or prohibit, inns or taverns, and to prohibit all traffic, or sale of, intoxicating drink, or drinks." By virtue of this power you have adopted a stringent ordinance, the provisions of which, if carried into execution, would greatly tend to suppress the sale of intoxicating drinks, and be a public blessing. It is, however, much easier to pass laws than to enforce them. Public sentiment, sustained by example and moral influences has done much more in the cause of temperance, than the enforcement of penal statutes. This ordinance requires a license tax of not less than fifty dollars from each person obtaining a license, and a succession of penalties upon all persons selling without a license. We are not expected to theorize over this peculiarly embarrassing subject. We are to deal with it as we find it on entering upon our respective duties. A useful citizen justly writes that "the cause of religion and morality, the happiness of individuals and families, and the general prosperity of our city, imperatively demand that the unlicensed drinking saloons which have of late multiplied at so fearful a ratio, should be at once, and for ever closed." Can so desirable a result be accomplished? I am sure I can count upon your response, that we can heartily co-operate in our mutual efforts to suppress these promoting causes of intemperance. On your part you have one of three courses to pursue.

(1.) To grant no licenses, or, (2] to grant them to a selected few, or [3] to give permission to all to take out a license To begin this work of reform the business must be controlled before it can be curtailed or abolished.

A great good was accomplished in this place more than fifteen years since, when dealers with grocers forced the sale from their counters by refusing to deal with those who sold intoxicating drink. This influence, with but few exceptions, is continued to this day The plans under the first and second heads have been tried for some years without preventing an indiscriminate sale. The business has increased. Let the third plan be tried for one year. Let the Clerk be authorised for a period of thirty days after public notice, and no longer, to give to any one, properly recommended, a license, on the payment of, at least, the sum required in the ordinance. This will remove the complaint that no license can be obtained, or their application is not acted on for months, and the police will be instructed and empowered to enforce the ordinance against every one found without a license. Much may be said and much has been said and written on this subject, but as I am to deal with it as I find it here, I cannot enter into a long argument to justify or condemn any particular course to suppress intemperance.

You are aware that several of the States have been passing through many experiments to annihilate the traffic and use of alcoholic drinks. While in many places the public have been educated up to the support of a rigid law against it in toto, producing a corresponding benefit to the human species, in others the standard has fallen below this desirable end.

I turn for relief from this question of controlling the debasing and destructive appetite of our fellow beings, to the Public Schools.

In the contemplation of their influences for good I find great encouragement. It is here where the moulding of the rising generation is begun. For the preservation of our free institutions, the promotion of education has become a settled principle in this country. It is a sound maxim that knowledge is power, and that religion, morality and knowledge are essentially necessary to good government. One thirty-sixth part of all the territory in the formation of new States has been set apart by the National government to promote the cause of education, and the old established States have been emulating each other in setting apart a large share of their revenues for the same purpose. You have relieved yourselves of the care of our public schools by its being delegated to a Board of Education, whose attention is undividedly devoted to this one object. I have had recent occasion to witness with much satisfaction the fruits of their faithfulness in the execution of their responsible trust. I may add, that our Schools come up to the best standard which I have been able to compare them with. Let me impress upon you the importance of a systematic visiting of the schools. By doing so you will find much to gratify yourselves, and you will induce your constituents to follow your example. These visits will encourage the teachers and stimulate the efforts of the taught.

I have not had an opportunity to advise with the Board of Education as to the demand for a third building, and its endowment of teachers for a public school to be erected in the Third Ward. Should the statistics show that there are children in that locality kept from attending the Public Schools, and who cannot be accommodated in the buildings already provided, you have no other course than to make provision for them. But as this will entail at once a heavy charge on the city, you will carefully review the subject, and make such temporary provision as the facts may demand. I look forward to no distant day when the Common Council will take the initiatory step to promote a still higher range of popular education. That an academy or high school could even now be of much advantage to the children of the inhabitants of this place and adjoining cities and townships, I do not doubt.—Mutual action would enable them all to participate in and be benefitted by a mutual support. I recommend this suggestion to your careful reflection. If we look into the U. S. Census of 1850 and compare the facts therein exhibited of the progress of popular education in this country, we shall learn that there are still among us persons who have not enjoyed these inestimable advantages. I refer you to the paper "E" in the appendix for the number of those who could not read and write at the time the census was taken, of the age of twenty years and upwards in the County of Hudson, in the State of New Jersey, and in the United States.

But should we stop here? While we are thus promoting the well being of the rising generation for future usefulness, there are still those who after they have left the schools, seem to be left to their own course of action. I allude to the masses of young persons driven to self supporting efforts at an early age. These still require a watchful guardianship over them. Can we not do something in our organic position to encourage and promote the various plans in use for their welfare? We can foster a sound morality and a growing intelligence among clerks, mechanics, and others, male and female. This can be done by placing public halls within their reach and resort, with the use of books from public free libraries and with lectures upon science and the arts at suitable seasons. In this way we shall cultivate a love of home influences, promote a growing and wide spread intelligence, and a counter check to the schools of vice and immorality to which too many of our uncared for youth now resort.

While we are in the enjoyment of incalculable benefits de-

rived from the introduction of pure and wholesome water, in preserving and promoting longevity, in the protection of property from fire—and in enriching our city by advancing active industry by steam power, we must aid the Water Commissioners in preventing an undue waste of so valuable an element. As it has all to be raised by costly stationary power, the expenses in this department are on the increase, and waste should be prevented and guarded against. Until the water revenue is sufficient to pay the interest on the debt and maintain the works, any deficiency has to be made good by a direct tax on the city, so that every tax paying citizen is interested in reporting and preventing any unnecessary waste of water. In connection with the subject I would call your attention to the amount already advanced out of the city treasury to the Water Commissioners raised by a direct tax on the persons and property in the city. This advance has already reached the sum of forty thousand dollars to which interest should be added. The originators of these important works cherished the hope that they would be self sustaining. There is no reason to doubt that this will be so, and a sinking fund be provided for the gradual payment of the water debt.

And as the works are worth at least all they cost, all the advances should be refunded to the City Treasury in Water Bonds. If this view be entertained by you, the Water Commissioners should be empowered to fund the above, and any other advances which may be derived from the City Treasury.

This will enable the city to cancel an equal amount of its floating debt. Up to this time, what is known as the surface water tax has been annually raised and paid over to the Water Commissioners. It is to cease when the water revenue reaches a certain point. That fact should be ascertained by you prior to the annual tax levy this year

Connected as the Fire Department is with that of the Water Department, I should do injustice to this body of our citizens were I to pass them silently by. While the city for many years prior to the construction of the Water Works, was alarmed, at least weekly, by the appalling alarm of fire, real or false, it is a source of congratulation to our citizens that we have now so efficient and orderly a department under the vigilance of a chief and assistants, that they are scarcely aware that any fire has occurred ; and it seems almost incredible how little property is allowed to be destroyed in this city by this devouring element. This is felt in the confidence of the Insurance Companies by their reduction of the premiums for insurance.

Much complaint is made against the judgment of the Assessors in their valuation of real estate. The law requires them to make a "true, full, fair value thereof." The complaint is that the value is placed beyond the selling value, and an abatement is demanded from the "Commissioners of Appeals." If the standard of value be for cash, there is no doubt that the Assessors valuations are unnecessarily high. This state of things can be avoided by making a difference between a credit and a cash valuation, an arrangement which will not change the equality of taxation, but remove the cause of complaint. Another cause of complaint is the taxing of imaginary real estate. In the last year's tax list now advertised to be sold, is placed a number of blocks east of Hudson street, used for navigation alone. As such taxes will have to be cancelled they should be avoided, as they make a false result and draw upon us more than our share of the taxes of the County. I agree with my predecessor that the Assessors and Collector should be more permanent officers, so that their duties may be better understood than the yearly changes admit of. I believe these and other suggestions are enumeraed in the proposed amendment to the City Charter, which has been under consideration for two years.

By an early movement at this time it can be prepared understandingly to be presented to the next legislature.

It is desirable that every improvement made should add to the permanent wealth of the city. A detriment thereto, and frequently of a positive injury, as well as anoying to a neighborhood, is the tendency to erect cheap wood buildings, This erection is the cause of lessening the values for taxation. They cost more to keep in repair, and to insure, are less comfortable, promote destructive fires, and engender pauperism. In the proposed amendment to the charter this feature is provided against. But you have the power now to "limit the height, and prevent, in certain limits the erection of wooden buildings." This restriction in every commercial city is exercised. It is enforced in our sister city, Hoboken. A general law prevails in the State of Ohio authorizing the corporation of every city to prevent the erection of any wooden building, or addition to any building beyond a hight of ten feet on any square where the owners of a majority of two-thirds of the ground object to it.— Your attention is called to the exercise of your power in the premises, in this city.

We have engrafted upon our municipal laws in this country, taken from an improved plan adopted in the old world, a system of day and night preventive and detective police. To make this institution of the utmost value the best men who can be obtained should be selected. They should be kept in office so long as they fulfil their duties faithfully without fear or favor. They cannot be expected to do this if they are delinquent in good morals, habitually indulge in intoxicating drinks, and are familiar with the inmates as well as haunts of vice. They should not be selected on account of their politics, or be sustained and encouraged in negligence of duties for their political, social, or sectarian ties. The Mayor is placed at the head of the police, but as he has no voice in their nomination or selection, he looks to you where this power rests to furnish no other than men of the proper standard for this important place.

In your present Comptroller, I believe, you have a valuable official, disposed to do efficient and faithful service in his department, as well as in others, there is more labor performed than meets the eye of a casual observer. And yet I think from my inquiries he has not felt authorised to call all the officials handling and collecting the funds of the City and County for which the City is responsible, to a full account of their stewardship. Aided by your Board it is my duty to cause all accounting offices to exhibit to him a full history of each transaction, so that at all times a full knowledge of the financial affairs of the city may be obtained. I shall call upon your Committee on Finance to aid me in this work, and in forming the instructions to be given to the several departments in the performance of their respective duties.

The Assessors have a difficulty to encounter almost every year in ascertaining what land is legally exempt from taxes owned by Incorporated companies, and it has been the cause of frequent expensive litigation. In the absence of any map of their property so exempt, filed in any office in the city, which would put at rest these misunderstandings, difference of opinion will arise. I am informed that the companies are disposed to have a mutual understanding with you on this subject, and I recommend it to the prompt attention of the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

At the closing meeting of the citizens committee for raising funds for the temporary relief of the out door poor, a committee was instructed to prepare a plan for a better system of action for the future. Probably there is no place where the inhabitants participate in a more humane sympathy for their suffering fellow beings, than in this.

Yet the indiscriminate demand upon them is the cause of frequent imposition, and also the growth of a disposition in many undeserving to live upon the industry of others. This Committee will no doubt call upon the authorities to co-operate in the furtherance of the plan to be submitted, to the end, that the really suffering may find relief, and imposition be prevented and punished.

It seems to have been lost sight of, that in the act incorporating the "Provident Institution for Savings," the Common Council are made *ex officio* corporators. By encouraging the husbanding of the surplus earnings of the laboring classes, much misery is prevented. While we have been passing through an unexampled time of trial to the whole community I learn that with very few exceptions the provident savings of our inhabitants placed in this institution have enabled them to weather difficulties which otherwise would have overwhelmed them.

Such confidence is there in the integrity of the management of of it, that while almost every other similar institution was depleted by a run during the Bank panic, the few depositors who, in a moment of alarm withdrew their money therefrom, returned it again in a few days. As a conservator in preventing pauperism let this institution have your countenance in every possible way.

What was at first an embarrassing difficulty in the mind tof the projectors of the Water Works, concerning the best method of draining the City, arising from the slight elevation

of the streets above tide water, gave way to the conviction hat this apparent difficulty would prove to be a blessing. Its permits the main sewers at every high tide to be flushed with salt water whereby the deposits and impurities can be daily washed into the sea, and not be left to ferment poisonous gases, to cause fevers, and sickness, among the inhabitants.

I may add, for your information, that, the Water Commissioners estimated the cost, (exclusive of piling) of the two feet main sewers at $2 28 to $2 43, the running foot; the two and a half feet sewers, from $3 07 to $3 17; the three feet sewers from $3 68 to $4 96; the tributary sewers $1; and the piling at $1 10, and that the whole would average $1 95 per running foot. Further particulars upon this subject you will find in their Report upon a plan of sewerage made in 1853.

We are sadly deficient in a system of reporting the state of mortality in the city, without which it is impossible to ascertain the degree of health and longevity we enjoy I have no doubt you will remedy the difficulty by passing the necessary ordinance for a proper record of every death which may take place in the city, with the cause of it, and the age of the person. I annex a comparative mortality table of large cities and towns in America and Europe. It is marked —F.

It has become a settled practice for the Assessors to make a yearly enumeration of the inhabitants in the city; I should be glad to have added to that duty a report af the aggregate cost of the new buildings, or additions erected for the year ending 1st May, separating the amount constructed of wood from that of other material.

Will you not save expense, by ordering the advertisements for delinquent taxes and assessments, now so lengthy, to be published but once a week, on a particular day of the week, either in a newspaper or a supplement thereto, and give equal publicity to it, as if published daily?

The introduction of the Belgian pavement (so called), though more costly in the first outlay than the cobble-stone is deemed by some cheaper in the end for its permanency and requiring so little repairing. Every owner of a vehicle and beast, and every person using them greatly prefer the former It is desirable to encourage its use in paving new streets and in repaving old ones where an arangement can be made with the property owners, liable for the expense particularly on the great thoroughfares.

I am assured by your faithful clerk that some labor may be saved in his office, expense in stationary, and trouble to property owners, whose lots are sold for assessments or taxes if a receipt only be given to the purchaser for the purchase money, in place of a conditional lease conveyance, under the seal of the city, snbject to record as now is the case. The receipt to be surrendered on redemption, or exchanged for a lease if not redeemed after the two years have expired for that purpose. This was formerly the practice, and by your order the Clerk will return to it.

I am aware that I have taxed your patience in the length and in the variety of topics introduced to your special notice. We are on duty together for the public good for one year without any other remuneration than the thanks of our citizens. I solicit your indulgence and desire to reciprocate courtesy. I trust we shall cultivate an abiding confidence and a hearty co-operation in the efforts of each other to perform our respective duties, without which, we cannot expect to receive the approbation of the people.

D. S. GREGORY,
Mayor.

DOCUMENTS ACCOMPANYING THE MAYOR'S MESSAGE AND ORDERED TO BE PUBLISHED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL

(A)

A Table showing the amount of County Taxes raised in the County of Hudson for the year 1853, 1854, 1855 1856, and 1857, the amounts apportioned and paid by each City and Township, and the amount of State School Money received, apportioned, and paid to each City and Township.

	1853.	1854.	1855.	1856.	1857.	
Jersey City,	$9615 97	7149 96	9840 42	9067 25	9350 33	County Tax: County Taxes for year 1853, $20,000.
" "	1869 15	1867 63	1875 76	1879 01	1787 00	State School Money paid to Jersey City.
Hoboken,	3911 90	2759 60	3609 09	3973 15	3699 85	County Tax: County Taxes for year 1854, $15,000.
"	455 60	410 79	441 94	424 31	427 93	State School Money paid to Hoboken.
Bergen,	2727 87	1986 40	2706 27	2921 81	2850 25	County Tax: County Taxes for year 1855, $20,000.
"	486 10	512 05	492 31	466 04	480 80	State School Money paid to Bergen.
North Bergen,	3229 75	2728 59	1854 00	1601 48	1674 75	County Tax: County Taxes for year 1856, $20,000.
" "	607 75	661 81	639 28	444 50	429 18	State School Money paid to North Bergen.
Harrison,	514 51	375 45	533 92	537 70	492 20	County Tax: County Taxes for year 1857, $20,000.
"	117 72	127 43	113 85	81 55	155 56	State School Money paid to Harrison.
* Hudson City,			1456 30	1898 61	1932 62	County Tax:
" "				257 75	302 29	State School Money paid to City of Hudson.

* Hudson City set off from North Bergen in the year 1855.

E. W. KINGSLAND, County Collector.

Hudson County Court House, April 29, 1858.
To Hon. D. S. Gregory.

(B)

HUDSON COUNTY RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

NOTE.—The Classification not perfect—Interest not ascertained for some years—Cost of Judges, Jurors, Witnesses, and Constables blended in some years.

Freeholders allowed one dollar per day for services as a Board and on Committees; *usage* has added "Dinners."

Since 1857, License Fees paid Townships where raised. Layton plan of Workhouse begun in 1857–8, at a saving of about $2500 per annum.

A County debt exists rising $30,000, on which interest is paid. Interest also paid on loans anticipating taxes.

Expenditures.	Year ending May 1, 1851.	1852.	1853.	1854.	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.
Cost of Indictments,	$1166 44	1477 02	695 08		699 36		1279 88	1177 54
Fees of Jurors,	1303 00	1380 00	2449 31	2098 74	3622 00	3304 33	2419 00	3161 71
For Constables,	335 50						551 65	834 25
Witnesses,							302 33	533 85
Conveying Prisoners to Jail,							120 12	
Board of Prisoners,	2216 47	1745 34		2595 25	5151 16	5415 68	4928 40	2981 06
Justices' Costs,	171 18			280 18	794 07	162 40		
County Judges,	190 50	179 64					416 00	424 00
Jail Physician,	100 00	75 00	185 00	85 00	41 00	70 00	140 00	108 49
Fuel,	415 56	275 59	340 50	384 00	432 88	363 50	458 22	482 22
Repairs. Drains, &c.,	942 18	153 16	788 64	930 43	1305 21	738 54	1940 81	2130 95
Extension Clerk's Office,							4502 21	
Work House and Jail,			18997 39	3752 00			5972 45	799 98
Law Charges and Counsel,	247 00	360 00				178 88	185 00	140 00
Books, &c., Clerk's Office, &c.,	57 75	55 92	510 75		234 13	259 16	528 76	409 75
Coroners Inquests,	650 47	462 56	467 64	460 06	737 10	621 10	745 04	721 47
Sundry,		410 80				218 90		408 79
Printing and Advertising,			52 50			159 45	193 75	216 32
Riot Expenses,							149 69	
Insurance,	66 05	60 25	87 75	80 25	80 25	80 25	80 25	80 25
Superintendent of Building,	150 00	150 00	150 00	137 50	162 50	150 00	150 00	213 12
Election Expenses,	138 90	142 00	170 41	150 00	145 80	224 35	381 92	366 30
School Examinations,	10 00	11 00	37 00	67 00		41 00	63 00	
County Bridges,	214 26	219 22	292 01	113 13	191 12	252 48	1595 41	1251 17
Lunatic Asylum,	836 04	1232 95	1148 24	1190 30	1089 16	1826 36	1338 02	1433 41
Freeholders,	276 10	400 70	491 75	560 25	566 80	1077 05	1415 16	1120 67
Interest,	731 25	930 45	986 58				2202 00	2736 00
County Collectors Commissions	285 07	285 07	337 14	781 44	723 50	56 75	721 90	

Receipts—year ending 1st May.	1851.	1852.	1853.	1854.	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.
County Tax,	$10000 00	10000	20000 00	15000 00	20000 00	20000 00	20000 00	20000 00
Loans unpaid,								
Fines and Costs,	454 24	258 58	77 00	140 03	3938 75	98 00	1172 00	1798 61
Tavern Licenses,	555 00	670 00	915 00	825 00	1260 00	650 00	625 00	
Labor in Jail,	74 16							
Bonds Forfeited,		500 00	500 00					24 37

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Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures on Accounts provided for by the Tax Ordinance of the fiscal years 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857.

Sec. No.	Purposes of Appropriation.	1853. Appropriation	1853. Expenditures.	1854. Appropriation.	1854. Expenditures.	1855. Appropriation.	1855. Expenditure.	1856. Appropriation.	1856. Expenditure.	1857. Appropriation.	1857. Expenditure.
1	Lighting Streets,	$3000 00	2297 55	3000 00	3642 13	3500 00	3245 19	3000 00	3859 00		
2	Support of Night Watch and Day Police	8100 00	6881 79	8800 00	9271 87	9700 00	9924 83	9000 00	10792 76	16000 00	13600 26
3	Repairing Streets	1600 00	2209 18	2000 00	2973 18	3000 09	1159 99	2500 00	2621 99	3000 00	3466 24
4	Alms House and Poor	3500 00	1807 83	3500 00	4141 88	4500 00	6806 14	5000 00	5484 97	5000 00	9912 12
5	Support of Public Schools	6000 00	6272 08	7000 00	8612 57	9000 00	11478 93	10000 00	11810 24	11000 00	12080 46
6	Erecting " "	3000 00	5734 68	7000 00	5308 84						
7	Support of City Prison	500 00	391 84	500 00	720 82	500 00	758 79	800 00	655 69	600 00	709 94
8	Fire Engines and Apparatus	2500 00	973 75	3000 00	1587 37	3000 00	3022 43	1500 00	1930 05	1500 00	1253 13
9	Interest on City Debt	2500 00	1859 31	3000 00	3018 55	4000 00	3429 21	4000 00	5470 93	5000 00	5961 49
10	Payment of Salaries	4500 00	3574 45	7000 00	5399 96	7000 00	9392 61	7500 00	8428 18	9000 00	9673 57
11	Cleaning Streets	1600 00	800 00	2500 00	2121 56	2150 00	2148 00	2200 00	2145 81	2500 00	2081 25
12	Building Engine Houses and Repairs	3000 00	1205 20	4000 00	5955 95	2000 00	379 09	500 00	237 38	500 00	711 03
13	Contingent Expenses	2000 00	6171 77	500 00	9021 10	500 00	2159 86	1000 00	1233 73		1615 50
14	Extinguishing Fires			500 00	3548 64						
15	Improvement of Public Grounds and Buildings			1000 00	564 52	500 00	244 96	500 00	62 57	1000 00	1162 51
16	Extinguishment of City Debt			5000 00							
17	Sinking Fund	2000 00		2500 00		2500 00		500 00			
18	Support of Hospital					100 00	100 00				
19	Rent of Buildings and Public Offices					1200 00	852 50	1200 00	953 34	1500 00	927 50
20	Printing, Stationery, and Supplies					500 00	1124 97	800 00	904 95	800 00	1259 95
21	Enlargement of Nursery for Alms House					400 00	326 00				
22	Clebration of Fourth of July					400 00	405 50	300 00	338 37	500 00	608 60
23	Interest required by Water Commissioners					13000 00	13000 00	5600 00	5600 00		
24	Water Rents for Fire Department, assessed by W. C.					1000 00	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00
25	Legal Expenses					300 00	593 36	500 00	288 75	250 00	481 44
26	Removal of Nuisances					100 00	33 87	50 00	13 00	50 00	181 25
27	Deficiency of Appropriations for 1854					10000 00	10000 00				
28	Protection of Public Health					200 00		200 00	3 00	200 00	236 80
29	Expenses of Election					200 00	355 50	200 00	226 66	200 00	159 76
30	Official Emblems					250 00	250 00				
31	Public School House No. 2, 4th Ward						16663 86				
32	Contingent Expenses of Fire Department							200 00	1813 65	200 00	2359 33
33	Water for the use of Public Buildings							200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00
34	Improvement of Hamilton Square							3500 00	1000 00	3500 00	1748 90
35	Scrivener for City Clerk							200 00	182 56	200 00	200 00
36	Erection of Work House									750 00	1090 18
37	Erection of Public Lamps and Posts, Lighting of Street Lamps									11000 00	9358 36
38	Sewers									2000 00	292 57
39	Building of Station House and Erection of Bell Tower									4000 00	
40	Improvement of Washington Square									2500 00	8 74
41	Building Fire Engine House									1000 00	1495 89
42	Completion of City Maps									2300 00	1250 00

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UNITED STATES CENSUS OF 1850.

	White, Natives	White, Foreign Born.	Colored—Free.	Slaves.	Total.
Population in the United States	17,342,229	2,210,839	434,495	3,204,313	23,191,876
" New Jersey	405,705	59,804	23,810	236	489,555
" Hudson Co	13,461	7,858	500	3	21,822
" Jersey City					11,473

SAME CENSUS.

Of 20 years of age and upwards who cannot read or write, omitting Slaves.

	White Natives.	White Foreign Born.	Colored—Free.	Total.
In the United States	767,784	195,114	90,522	1,053,420
In the State of New Jersey	8,370	5,878	4,417	18,665
In Hudson County	158	1,264	154	1,576

Total number of immigrants into the United States since 1790, *living* in 1850, together with descendants of immigrants		4,304,416
Foreign born as above, Natives of Ireland	961,719	
" " Germany	573,225	
" " England	278,675	
" " British America	147,700	
" " Scotland	70,550	
" " France	54,069	
" " Wales	29,868	
" " All other countries	95,033	
		2,210,839

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COMPARATIVE MORTALITY TABLE.

The proportion of deaths to population, in the Cities and large Towns of the Old and New World, is as follows:

European Cities.		American Cities and Towns.	
Surry	1 to 53	Newark	1 to 53
Glasgow	1 to 44	Natchez, New Haven, and Charlestown, Mass.	1 to 48
London	1 to 38	Cambridge	1 to 47
Birmingham	1 to 36	Philadelphia and Baltimore	1 to 45
Lyons, Leeds, Sheffield	1 to 32	Boston	1 to 40
Bristol	1 to 31	Charleston—Cincinnati	1 to 40
Manchester	1 to 29	Pittsburgh	1 to 39
Liverpool	1 to 28	New York	1 to 35
Sweden, in the Country	1 to 44	Providence, (R. I.)	1 to 36
" in the Cities	1 to 38	St. Louis	1 to 35
Geneva	1 to 43	Savannah	1 to 34
St. Petersburgh	1 to 37		
Leghorn	1 to 35		
Berlin and Munich	1 to 34		
Paris	1 to 32		
Copenhagen, Nice, Palermo, Amsterdam	1 to 31		
Hamburg	1 to 30		
Madrid	1 to 29		
Naples and Dresden	1 to 28		
Brussels	1 to 26		
Rome, Prague	1 to 25		
Stockholm	1 to 24		
Vienna	1 to 23		
Venice	1 to 19		

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POPULATION.

Year.	New York.	Brooklyn.	Jersey City	Hoboken.	Hudson Co.	New Jersey	United States.
1656	1000						
1678	3430						
1686	6000						
1696	4302						
1699	6000						
1731	8622						
1771	21863						
1786	26614						
1790	33131					184139	3929827
1800	60489					211919	5305925
1802			15				
1810	96373					245555	7239814
1814		3805					
1816		4402					
1820	123706	7475				277575	9638131
1825	166986	10791					
1828							
1829			1025				
1830	202589	15295				320823	12866020
1835	269873	24310	1500				
1837			3007				
1840	313729	36233	4090		9472	373306	17069453
1843			5250				
1845							
1848			9500				
1850	515545		11473	2668	21822	489555	23191876
1851			13613	3292			
1852			15733	4161			
1853			18547	5527			
1854			20989	6211			
1855	624179	194325	21716	6727	42559	569499	
1856			22258				
1857			24705				
1858	est.810000		27000				

ANNUAL REPORT OF CITY PHYSICIAN, FOR FIRST AND SECOND WARDS.

Presented May 11th, 1858, and ordered to be published in Jersey City Papers, and printed in pamphlet form in conjunctien with Mayor's message.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

To the Honorable Common Council of Jersey City:

The following annual report of the Medical Department of the Alms House and Hospital, with a brief statement of what has been done for the sick and afflicted belonging to the out-door poor of the First and Second Wards, is respectfully submitted

During the year ending May 1st, 1858, there have been admitted sick: Adult males, 51; females, 8; children, 10. Total 69.

Of those remaining as inmates of the institution, there have been sick during the year: Adult males, 27; females, 36; children, 49. Total, 112.

Obstetrical cases, 5. Total number of cases under treatment during the year, 186.

Number of deaths: Adult males, 10; females, 2; children, 5. Total, 17.

Cause of death: Consumption, 8; valular disease of the heart, 1; renal dropsy, 1; from the effects of drink and exposure, 2; cholera infantum, 2; scarlet fever, 1; marasmus, 2.

The health of the institution during the past year has been remarkable good, considering the number of admissions, and their condition on entering, for which too much praise cannot be awarded to the Superintendent and Matron for their care and attention in providing every comfort to meet the wants of those under their charge.

Attending the Alms House during the past year has been but a small portion of the duties of the City Physician. Upwards of one thousand calls have been made to the sick outside. Nineteen cases of obstetrics attended, and more than one hundred persons vaccinated. I call the attention of your honorable body to these facts from the consideration, that according to the ordinance appointing City Physician, they are required to furnish all medicines required by them. During the past year that requirement has been ful filled to the best of my ability, no case of absolute want has come under my notice, and not been furnished. But on account of the great want of work for the laboring classes of our city, I have seen many cases which it would have been both a pleasure and a duty to have assisted more, had circumstances permitted. Hoping my endeavors to fulfill my duty have met with your approbation, I am with much respect,

WATERS BURROWS,
City Physician, First and Second Wards.

Annual report of Superintendent of Alms House, ending April 30th, 1858, presented May 11th, 1858 received, ordered published in Jersey City papers, and printed in pamphlet form in conjunction with the Mayor's Message.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Superintendent of the Alms House, respectfully presents to your honorable body his annual report ending April 30th, 1858.

The number of persons admitted was 372, of which number there were—

Nativity	Male.	Female.	Children,	Total.
Native adults,	17....	Adults, 7.....	17...	41
Germany	do.. 5....	do, 2, German parents,	5....	12
England	do.. 6....	do, 7, English do,	5....	18
Scotland	do.. 2....	do, 4, Scotch do,	5....	11
Ireland	do..90....	do, 74, Irish do,	111...	275
Other places,	3....	do, 1.....	5....	9
Born in the Institution.....			3....	3
Foundlings.....			3....	3
			Total.....	372

The following statement shows the number discharged, adopted or bound, and the deaths in the same period, viz---

Male adults discharged..	91
Female do, ...	70
Children do, ...	89
Adopted or went with parents.....	12
Total.....	262

Male adults died.....10
Female do 2
Children do 5—17---279
Remaining in the Institution.....93

The expenses of the Institution within the above period was $2542 19,, on the following accounts, viz:

Provisions and Groceries	$1184 00	
Meat	387 24	
Coal	1808 70	
Wood	22 83	
Dry Goods	362 75	
Men and boys clothing	315 00	
Shoes	309 00	
Feed for horse, cow, and hogs	174 70	
Straw for beds in the Institution	26 64	
White sand for floor	7 50	
Hardware	70 14	
Lumber	17 46	
Soap	42 50	
Leather &c., for Mending shoes	7 68	
Vegetables	8 82	
Paper and books &c., &c.,	158 63	
Interments	82 00---$4985 59	
Coal delivered to out door poor	$1634 70	
do. for Fire Department and public offices,	279 70	
Cartage for Street Commissioner and Police	130 00	
Coffins made at Alms House, all given away	51 50	
Coffins on hand	140 50	
Goods on hand	207 00---$2443 40	
Total		$2542 19

The general health of the inmates for the past year has been good considering their situation when admitted but with strict attention of our attending Physician, but few deaths have occurred in the Institution.

This has been a remarkable season, young as well as old have been out of employment, therefore they have had to seek for refuge in our Institution or suffer in our streets.

The erection of the Work house has enabled us to receive a greater number than we could have done otherwise, but in that case I had to employ an assistant for three months of last winter. My duties were so ardous that I could not perform them without help. I therefore humbly ask your Honorable body to make some allowance that I may give him for his services.

I have had the men and boys employed at different kinds of work, of which a number of articles are on hand. they are sold, but not delivered, therefore I am not able to make any roport on Work-house. I will do so in a short time. I feel satisfied that with attention and proper management it will pay.

The expense for indoor and out-door poor have been $9763 65.

Monies expended by Superintendent $91,00.
Monies received by Superintendent 68 86.
All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WHITLEY,
Superintendent of Alms House.

Jersey City, May 1st, 1858.

Annual Report of Overseer of the Poor, for the year ending April 30th, 1858. Presented May, 1858. Received, ordered to be published in Jersey City Papers, and printed in pamphlet form in conjunction with Mayor's message.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen—

The Overseer of the Poor respectfully reports to your Honorable body the accompanying statement and statistics for the year ending April 30th, 1858. From which it will appear that 1798 adults, and 1710 children have been relieved with provisions, and 868 adults and 1377 children with coal, showing a large increase of recipients compared with former years, arising from suspension of all kinds of business, (also the work at the tunnel,) which caused a large number of families to locate in our city, and having no work, and without means, had to be provided for or suffer in our midst. Yet taking into view the natural increase of the population of this city, it is a source of congratulation that pauperism is not on the increase to any great extent.

The following statement will show the nativity and *sex* of the recipients.

	Male.	Female.	Children.	Total.
Native adults	11	16 do.	48	75.
England do	5	7 do Eng.	18	30.
Germany do	8	14 do Ger. par.	33	65.
Scotland do	2	1 do Sco. par.	9	12.
Ireland do	416	528 do Iri. "	1584	2528
Travelers do	790	10 do	8	808
	1230	576	1700	3508

The expense of the department within the above period have been.....$7221 46

On the following account:

Provisions and groceries	$5338 70.
Coal delivered to the poor	1634 74.
Shoes	20 00.
Transportation of paupers	65 52.
Coffins made at Alms House	51 50.
Interments	111 00.
	$7221 46.

In the distribution of the charities of the city, I have acted with the view to the best interest of all concerned, in an economical distribution of the public money, in relieving the pressing necessities of the distressed. And in this course I hope to have the approbation of the Mayor and Common Council and the community in general.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WHITLEY,
Overseer of the poor.

Jersey City, May 1, 1858.

THE RECORDER'S QUARTERLY REPORT ENDING APRIL 30, 1858.

Presented May 11th, 1858 received and ordered published in the Corporation paper.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

In pursuance of the charter and obligation imposed upon me as Recorder of the City of Jersey City, I most respectfully beg leave to submit unto your honorable body, my last quarterly report ending April 30th, 1858.

There were arrested by the City police in the month of February, 1858, seventy seven persons who were disposed as follows, viz:

Eleven fined $2 each	$22 00
One fined $5	5 00

Twenty-six committed to the City prison.
Three committed to the County Work house.
Four committed to the County Jail.
One held to bail.
One committed to the Alms house.
Thirty discharged.

There were arrested by the City police in the month of March, 1858, one hundred and thirty-eight persons who were disposed of as follows, viz:

Thirteen fined $2 each	$26 00
Eight fined $10 each	80 00

Fifty-two committed to the City prison.
Fourteen committed to the County Workhouse.
Five committed to the County Jail.
One committed to the Alms-house.
Seven held to bail.
Thirty-eight discharged.

There were arrested by the City police in the month of April, 1858, one hundred and fifty persons, who were disposed of as follows, viz:

Sixteen fined $2	$32 00

Fifty committed to the City prison.
Twelve committed to County Workhouse.
Eight committed to County Jail.
Eleven held to bail.
Fifty-three discharged.

The total amount of fines received during the quarter end-

ing April 30, 1855, being one hundred and sixty-fixe dollars. I have paid the same to the City Treasurer.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID BEDFORD,
Recorder.

REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 1858, AND QUARTER ENDING SAME TIME.

Presented May 11th : received and ordered to be published in the Jersey City papers, and printed in pamphlet form, in conjunction with the Mayor's Message.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City City.

To the Honorable the Common Council :

In accordance with the existing Police Ordinance, the Chief of Police respectfully submits the following report, exhibiting the number of persons apprehended each month for felonies, misdemeanours, and other offences, together with their age, color, profession, and degree of education, from the first day of February, 1858, to the first day of May, 1858, inclusive.

	Feb.	Mch.	Ap.	Total.
Arson	1			1
Attempt to Kill		2		2
Assault and Battery	1	4	3	8
Assaulting Officers		1	7	8
Abandonment			1	1
Attempt to commit rape			1	1
Burglary	1		4	5
Bastardy			1	1
Disorderly Conduct	4	6	4	14
Exposure of person		2		2
Fighting in the streets	2	7	6	15
Grand Larceny	1	1	2	4
Insulting Females		1		1
Intoxication	23	30	60	113
Intoxication & disorderly conduct	34	54	49	137
Malicious mischief	1	2		3
Petit Larceny	5	9	4	18
Personating Females			1	1
Passing counterfeit money		1	2	3
Suspicion of Theft			1	1
Violation of Corporation Ordinances			4	4
Vagrancy	3	8	10	21
Witness			1	1
	76	128	161	365

Age, place of birth, color, profession, and degree of education classified as follows :

1858.

Age,	Feby.	Mch.	Ap.	Total.
10 to 20	7	18	17	42
20 to 30	24	34	50	108
30 to 40	29	36	53	118
40 to 50	13	34	32	79
Over 50	3	6	9	18
Total	76	128	161	365
Where Born :				
United States	11	27	44	72
Ireland	56	94	104	254
England	2	3	15	20
Scotland	5	1	2	8
Germany	2	3	6	11
France				
Total	76	128	161	365
Profession				
Have Trades	33	33	50	115
No Trades	43	96	111	250
Total	76	128	161	365
Degree of Education :				
Read and write	35	47	68	150
Read	1	1	2	4
Neither	40	80	91	211
Total.	76	128	161	365
Color :				
White	75	126	159	360
Black	1	2	2	5
Total	76	128	161	365

Report made by the Chief of Police showing the number of persons arrested by the department, from the first day of Feb., 1858, to the first day of May, 1858, and by whom such arrests were made :

Chief, intoxication, 6; intoxication and disorderly conduct 4 ; disorderly conduct, 2 ; assaulting officers, 1 ; vagrancy, 1 ; Total, 14.

Aid Baum.—Intoxication 13, intoxication and disorderly conduct 4, disorderly conduct 2, assault and battery 1, exposure of person 1, vagrancy 4, fighting in the streets 2, petit larceny 2, attempt to kill 1, arson 1 ; Total 31.

Aid Ayres —Intoxication 5, intoxication and disorderly conduct 3 ; Total 8.

Graham. Intoxication 1, intoxication and disorderly conduct 1, assault and battery 1, insulting females 1, assault on officers 2 ; Total 6.

Baldwin.—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 5, intoxication 2, fighting in the streets 1, petit larceny 1 , Total 9.

Reen.—Intoxication 1, intoxication and disorderly conduct 4, petit larceny 1, fighting in the streets 1 ; Total 7.

Hurly.—Intoxication 3, intoxication and disorderly conduct 4, malicious mischief 1, vagrancy 2, passing counterfeit money 1, petit larceny 1 ; Total 12.

Berry.—Intoxication 5, intoxication and disorderly conduct 6, vagrancy 1 ; Total 12.

Callahan.—Intoxication 2, intoxication and disorderly conduct 8, petit larceny 1, vagrancy 1 ; Total 12.

Rourke.—Intoxication 2, intoxication and disorderly conduct 4, petit larceny 1 ; Total 7.

Ward.—Intoxication 8, intoxication and disorderly conduct 5, disorderly conduct 3, petit larceny 1, assault and battery 1, fighting in the streets 2, vagrancy 1 · Total 21.

Groves.—Intoxication 1, intoxication and disorderly conduct 3, disorderly conduct 1 ; Total 5.

Murphy.—Intoxication 5, intoxication and disorderly conduct 9, disorderly conduct 1 ; Total 15.

O'Donnell.—Intoxication 8, intoxication and disorderly conduct 8, assaulting officers 1, insulting females 1, fighting in the streets 1 ; Total 19.

Strong.—Intoxication 4, intoxication and disorderly conduct 8, disorderly conduct 2, petit larceny 3 ; Total 18.

Carroll.—Intoxication 1, intoxication and disorderly conduct 1, grand larceny 1, passing counterfeit money 1, vagrancy 1, petit larceny 1 ; Total 6.

Jaquins.—Intoxication 2, intoxication and disorderly conduct 6, disorderly conduct 1, burglary 1 ; violation of corporation ordinances 2, abandonment 1, vagrancy 1, grand larceny 1 ; Total 15.

McNamara.—Intoxication 2, intoxication and disorderly conduct 2, assault and battery 1, vagrancy 2, petit larceny 1, assault on officer 1, fighting in the streets 1 ; Total 10.

Towle.—Intoxication 2, intoxication and disorderly conduct 2, exposure of person 1, malicious mischief 1, vagrancy 1 ; Total 7.

Smith.—Intoxication 2, intoxication and disorderly conduct 11, disorderly conduct 1, petit larceny 1, burglary 1 ; Total 17.

McLaughlin.—Intoxication 1, intoxication and disorderly conduct 3, fighting in the streets 1 ; Total 5.

J. L. Ayres—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 3.

J Moulds—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 7, disorderly conduct 1 vagrancy 2 ; Total 10.

Chase—Intoxication 5, Intoxication and disorderly conduct 2, assault and battery 1, petit larceny 1, vagrancy 2, violation of corporation ordinances, 2 , Total 13.

Robinson — Intoxication 4, intoxication and disorderly conduct 3, vagrancy 1, assaulting officers 1 ; Total 9.

J Thompson—Intoxication I, Intoxication and disorderly conduct 2, assaulting officers 1, petit larceny 1 ; Total 5.

Van Riper—Intoxication 4, intoxication and disorderly conduct 4, fighting in the streets 1, burglary 1, assaulting officers 1, disorderly conduct 1, passing counterfeit money 1, bastardy 1 ; Total 14.

Van Voorhis—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 3, attempt to kill 1, burglary 1, g larceny 1 ; Total 6.

Seely—Intoxication 3, intoxication and disorderly couduct 7 petit larceny 1 assaulting officers 1, disorderly conduct 1 ;

Total 13.

Bradley—Intoxication 2, intoxication and disorderly conduct 1, petit larceny 1, petit larceny 1 ; Total 5.

Chazotte—Intoxication 6, assault and battery 1 ; Total 7.

(Treadwell—Intoxication 2, vagrancy 2 ; Total 4)

Bennett—Intoxication 5, intoxication and disorderly conduct 2, witness 1, attempt to commit rape 1, petit larceny, 1 ; Total 10.

Topping—Intoxication 3, fighting in the streets 1 ; Total 4.

Van Demark—Suspicion of theft 1, assault and battery 1, Total 2.

Total number of arrests 365.

Report of Chief of Police, showing the number of persons accommodated with lodgings at the Station House, each month, together with their age, place of birth, color, profession, and degree of education, from the first day of February, 1858, to the first day of May 1858 :

	1858. Feb.	Mar.	Ap.	Total
Number of Persons accommodated with lodgings each month	739	1012	547	2298
Age, place of birth, color, profession, and degree of education, classified as follows :				
Age 10 years and under	3	2		5
10 to 20	112	142	90	344
20 to 30	296	376	214	886
30 to 40	195	234	142	571
40 to 50	110	201	67	378
50 and over	23	57	34	114
Total	739	1012	547	2298
Where Born.				
United States	85	152	69	306
Ireland	369	453	281	1103
England	76	233	107	416
Scotland	104	61	21	186
Germany	99	99	61	259
France	2	7	3	12
Other Places	4	7	5	16
Total	739	1012	537	2298
Color.				
White	717	1012	541	2270
Black	22		6	28
Total	739	1012	547	2298
Profession.				
Have Trades	355	429	186	970
No Trades	384	583	361	1328
Total	739	1012	547	2298
Degree of Education.				
Read and Write	503	682	328	1513
Read	12		5	17
Write	4			4
Neither	220	330	214	764
Total	739	1012	547	2298

Report showing the number of violations of Corporation Ordinances, from the first day of February, 1858, to the first day of May, 1858 :

Selling Spirituous Liquors without a License	52
Sent to the City Attorney and Recorder for Prosecution,	22
Hacks, &c	6
Lost Children found and restored	5
Money and Property taken from Lodgers and Prisoners, and at the proper time restored—Monies, $65 59 ; Property, 3 Silver Watches, 1 Gold Chain, 1 Gold Pencil, and divers articles.	
Number of days lost by sickness	120½
" " without leave	24
" " with leave	24
Total	168½

Annual Statement of the Chief of Police.

Whole number of persons arrested for the year ending May, 1858	1394
Whole number of persons accommodated with lodgings at the Station House, for the year ending May, 1858,	5110

Violation of Corporation Ordinances sent to the City Attorney and Recorder for prosecution.

Selling Spirituous Liquors without a license	33
Driving Stages without a license	16
Driving Carts without a license	2
Selling Merchandize on Sunday	19
Hacks and Runners	5
Total	—75

Number of offences committed against property reported to this department from the first day of May 1857. to the first day of May 1858.

Arson	1	Burglaries	50
Grand Larceny	12	Petit Larceny	79
Embezzlement	3	Grand	1
Pass. counterf't money	25	Total	161

Number of persons arrested for these offences 122. As follows :

Burglary	20	Arson	1
Attempt at Burglary	2	Petit Larceny	79
Grand Larceny	12	Embezzlement	3
Pass. counterf't money	14	Fraud	1
		Total	122

Property stolen from citizens reported to this department for the year ending May 1858 $6943

Recovered by the department $41 25. Balance $2818.

Stores and dwellings found open and secured	21
Lost children found and restored to parents	48
Sick and injured assisted	10
Total	79

Money and property taken from lodgers and prisoners and restored at the proper time. Monies $1035 87. Property—36 Gold Watches, 27 Silver watches, 37 Gold chains, 2 Gold lockets, 274 Gold rings and divers other articles.

Number of days lost by sickness 439 ; without leave 65 ; with leave 43½. Total 547½.

In concluding this report, I beg leave to call your attention to the present condition of the Station House, which is a disgrace to our city, and the nuisance, for in no other light can I consider it, should soon as possible be removed. The building is too small, and entirely unfit to be occupied by the department. Besides being separated a mile from the cells, we have labored under many disadvantages in taking prisoners committed there. I have often been compelled to call from six to ten men from their posts at night to commit disorderly persons, and thieves watching every movement of an officer, take this opportunity to go on their beats, where without being molested, they can plunder with impunity.—I would therefore respectfully recommend immediate steps be taken to place this department in comfortable quarters, concentrating the Station House and cells in one building, which will in a great measure remedy this evil

Very much has been said, gentlemen, condemnatory of the police department during the past year. Their want of efficiency in the detection and prevention of crime. Burglaries it is true, have increased in a greater ratio during the past year than at any previous corresponding time, and so alarming have they become that the public have attributed them to a lack of energy on the part of the force; now if you will consider the large extent of territory each man has to patrol nightly, the amount of property he is called upon to guard and protect, the number of hours required by ordinance, to perform this service in, being 9 hours, without relief, whereas six hours is sufficient, I think you will bear me out in saying that it is not at all surprising that we are visited by them, and I think, calls for a larger force to make this department effectual. Under the present system the force comprises 28 patrollmen, four of which are detailed for day duty alternately, two Aids and one Chief---should be twenty four men for night duty, but leaving a margin for sickness, we have ever aged about twenty men a night ; too small a force to give that protection to the citizens which they require, and in default of which the department has been stigmatized with being persons unfit to hold their positions.

You will also remember that the past winter has been one of unusual want and suffering, thousands being thrown out of employment by the panic that has afflicted us, many of which have resorted to dishonorable means to save themselves from further suffering, and which has swelled the record of crime to a greater degree than at any previous length of time. Besides, being so closely connected with New York city, where robberies are a common occurrence, it is not

surprising that we should be exempt from them. I would therefore refer for your consideration, in the selection of this department, and its members, for the present year, the propriety of an increased force.

On the 27th day of March last, by order of the Police Committee, I detailed from this department for the "detective service," four men, supplying their places by the same number of special men, and although they have not during the short time in this service, been very successful in the arrest of crime, I feel confident in saying they have by their promptness and efficiency, been a good preventive against its commission. This is an important branch in a Police Department, and is in every way deserving of your special consideration. I would call your attention to the ordinance, prescribing the duties of Chief of Police, by which he is required to remain on duty at the Station House from 6 A. M., until 1 P M, of the same day, and from 9 P M until 1 A M in the morning. Now if this night duty was placed in the hands of good assistants, the Chief with his Aids, would be able, by looking closely after his men to inform himself if there was neglect of duty, but his time being strictly limited to the Station house, he is unable to judge, unless he calls an officer from his post, or closes the Station, which if done would meet with many objections. He should not therefore be held strictly responsible for their neglect, when this privilege is denied him. The Chief should also have the privilege of selecting from the department, the best men to act as his aids, recommending them to your "Honorable Body" for appointment You will pardon me gentlemen for alluding to this subject, but I am compelled to, having felt its importance during the past year. The present system of yearly appointments in this department is worthy of your notice, an officer no sooner acquires a knowledge of his profession than through some political movement, he is removed and others entirely ignorant of police duties appointed in their place. The system is wrong and you may be assured, you will never have an effectual force, until you adopt the plan under which the police departments of other cities are working, viz: "the appointment of your men during good behavior." Until then this department will be, as it has been for some time past, a political machine, wielded by those who have been of service to the party in power. I therefore respectfully submit this report to you, feeling confident that the obstacles which now surround the department will at an early day be removed, and that to him who shall be called upon to take charge the present year you will extend to him a few of the privileges given to others, occupying similar positions in other cities,

Respectfully,

BENJAMIN HAINES, Jr,

Chief of Police.



COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular Meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, May 18, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Thurston, Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, Mc Bride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen Hankins and Roosevelt.

The minutes of the meetings of the 3d, 4th, and 11th inst., were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of J. W. Parker and others to have all the obstructions in Mercer street, between Washington street and Hudson street removed, and that part of the said Mercer street in which obstructions exist, graded, paved, curbed, &c. Ref. to the Committee on Streets

Communication from Andrew Clerk in relation to the manner of assessing the intersection of streets, &c. Ref. to the Committee on Assessments.

Communication from James Gopsill stating that he has completed the census for the Jersey City Directory for the year 1858 and 1859, and has taken the annual census of the inhabitants, and soliciting the usual appropriation for said purpose.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That when the original returns of the census of Jersey City shall have been received from James Gopsill, they be filed in the City Clerk's office, and that a warrant for fifty dollars be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Jas Gopsill for the service rendered by him in taking such census

Official bonds of J. V. Hardenbergh, Comptroller, John D. Nolan, Street Commissioner, and Hugh McComb, Collector of Assessments. Refered to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of John Cannon to be appointed a Constable for the First Ward. Referred to the Com on Police.

Petition of W. R. Brown and Mrs. George R. Orcutt for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern at No 13 and 15 Montgomery street, in the Second Ward. Referred to the Com. on Licenses.

Petition of John F. Ward to be appointed a City Surveyor. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Samuel D. Ellis to be appointed an Aid to the Chief of Police. Referred to the Com. on Police.

Petition of William Keen and Cornelius Fisher to be appointed Policemen. Referred to the Aldermen of the First Ward.

Petition of James Dickson and William Ramsay to be appointed Policemen. Referred to the Aldermen of the Second Ward.

Petition of Jesse R. Jeffrey to be appointed a Policeman Referred to the Aldermen of the Fourth Ward.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Kemp & Ward, $195 30; Seth Billington, $34 86 and Japhet Jardine, $6 22. Referred to the Committee on Alms.

Of J. H. Vondy, $51 50; Michael Kane $11: Bernard Mc Guigan, $8; and Robert Grigletti, $6. Referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of G. Cooper, $215; Samuel Hamilton $10 and Japhet Jardine $3 05. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Smith Mead $70 56; and Rea & Pollock, $1 25. Ref. to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of A. B. Reynolds, $39 45 and Mrs. Ann Eaton, $16 50.—Refered to the Committee on Lamps.

Of Thomas Gafney, $16. Refered to the Committee on Police.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meeting of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Police Department, $1411 36; Alexander Love, $693 75 and $184 45; Drayton & Durant, $228 90; William Whitley, $150 00; Daily Telegraph, $125; W. Burrows, $100; Hugh Reilly, $57 10; A. B. Reynolds, $56 92; E. Coles, $35; Nathaniel Ellis, $34 72; J. B. Stone, $30; Hugh Billingsley, 23; Seth Billington $22 50; J. F. Richardson, $21 50; J. F. Richardson, $20 25; Hugh McComb, $19 46; J. F. Richardson, $13; David Bedford, $13; Bernard Mc Anally, $10 80; Stephen Quaife, $10; R. S. Tilden, $8; Geo. McCrindle, $8; Cornelius T. Frazer, $8; T. N. Blaisdell, $5; S. A. French, $4 87: Daily Telegraph, $3 75 and McGuigan & Nugent $1 75.

The claim of E. Andrews amounting to $7 50, refered to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections, May 11th, 1853 was reported correct by said committee for $5 50 and that amount ordered paid.

The Comptroller's Annual Report was presented, received, ordered published in the Jersey City papers, to be printed in pamphlet form in connection with the Mayor's Message and to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

The following requisition from the Board of Education was presented, received, and warrants were ordered to be drawn on the Treasurer in favor of the parties respectively named for the amounts therein specified.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education held at the City Clerk's office on Tuesday evening, May 11, 1858.

It was Resolved by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays being taken,

That Requisition be made upon the Common Council as follows:

In favor of

John Van Vorst for rent of col. school to 1st inst	$18 75
Charlotte Garrison for service as Janitrix	50
Jas. Flemming for plans, superintending, &c	25
Francis Reeve for balance due on Salary	3 65

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, May 18, 1858.

Official bonds of P. D. Vroom, Treasurer, William Whitley, Overseer of the Poor, George W. Cassedy, City Clerk, and of Philo Snow and John G. Haybeck as Constables refered to the Corporation Attorney on the 11th inst., were reported by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The bonds were approved and ordered filed in the Comptroller's office.

Communications were presented and received from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing the returns of the following elections and resignations in said Department, which have been confirmed by the "Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department," and on motion of Ald. Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the action of the "Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department be approved and confirmed.

Election of Francis Watson Leonard by Hose Co. No 2, and Daniel T. Hegel by Hose Co. No. 3.

Resignation of E. H. Osborn from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2. and Wm. C. Lenoir, John B Hauft and John G. Hauft from Hose Co. No. 2.

A communication was presented from the "Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department" nominating Frederick P. Budden as their Clerk. The communication was received, and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was unanimously

Resolved, That Frederick P. Budden be appointed Clerk of the 'Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department."

A communication from the City Treasurer, reporting the payment of one hundred and fifty dollars into the treasury by James W. Hall, an account of preliminary expenses in the opening of Montgomery street, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following letter received by him from Brigadier General Hatfield:

Hoboken, May 17, 1858.

Geo. W. Cassedy, Esq., City Clerk, Dear Sir:

Your polite communication I received through Major Grinnell, The hour of the contempleted review by the Mayor and Council of your city, I would beg leave to suggest. One of the principal objects in view, in ordering the brigade under arms on the afternoon of the 20th inst., is for the purpose of drill and improvement, and I desire to occupy all the time up to 5½ o'clock in exercises upon the field.—It has occurred to me that this hour would be likely to suit the convenience of the Mayor and Councilmen, as it will better enable me to carry out my own designs. The place of the review, and at what place I shall send an escort for the Mayor and Councilmen, I shall be pleased to be informed of by you.

Very respectfully, yours, etc.
JAMES T. HATFIELD,
Brigadier General.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Erwin and unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City will assemble at the Common Council Chamber on the 20th inst., at the hour suggested by Brigadier General James T. Hatfield (half past 5 o'clock in the afternoon,) and will proceed under the escort courteously tendered by him, to Hamilton Square and there review the Hudson Brigade in accordance with the invitation received from its distinguished commander at the regular meeting of this Common Council held on the 11th inst.

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be invited to meet with the Common Council at the hour and place named for the assembling of the municipal authorities of Jersey City, and that the action had this evening by the Common Council be communicated to Brigadier General Hatfield by the City Clerk.

The official bond of Richard D. McClelland, Corporation Attorney, referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances on the 11th inst, was reported by that Committee as drawn in legal form and the sureties sufficient

The report was received, and the bond approved and ordered filed in the Comptroller's office.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings to whom was referred May 11th, the certificate of Edward Coles, City Surveyor, and diagram showing the amount of filling upon a portion of Hamilton Square, reported the same correct. The report was received and ordered filed.

Alderman Wickware from the Committee on Salaries, Offices, and Elections, presented the following entitled ordinance and the same was laid upon the table, viz: "An ordinance fixing Salaries."

Alderman Van Vorst from the Committee on Finance, presented the following entitled ordinance and the same was laid upon the table, viz:

"An Ordinance for the Assessment and Collection of an Annual Tax for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

The Special Committee on the improvement of Van Vorst Square, and the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings and Street commissioner, to whom was referred May 11th, the proposal and bond of Keeney & Hallady for the contract for said work, presented a report, accompanied by contracts executed by Keeney & Hallady, and a new bond executed by William Keeney, John R. Halladay, and Job Faulkenburgh, accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That the contract executed by William Keeney and John R. Halladay for the improvement of Van Vorst square and presented to the Common Council at this meeting be approved, and that the same be executed on the part of the City by his Honor the Mayor and the City Clerk under its Corporate Seal; that one copy of said contract be delivered to William Keeney and John R Halladay, and that the other together with the bond of said William Keeney and John R Halladay executed by them and Job Faulkinburgh for the fulfillment of said contract be filed in the Comptroller's office, and that the bond presented by Keeney & Halladay on the 11th instant, be returned to them, the same not being drawn in legal form.—The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The petitions presented and laid upon the table on the 27th April last, of Michael Eagan for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit, and vegetables, and Owen Donohue and William Gummer for licenses to keep junk shops, were taken up and referred to the Committee on Licenses.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman McLaughlin, and adopted:

Resolved, That notice be given by the City Clerk that all persons to be licensed under the "Ordinance concerning Inns and Taverns," must apply for the same before the first of July next, by leaving the same at the City Clerk's office, with the necessary requirements of the Ordinance, and by leaving a deposit of the amount of license tax to be returned if not granted

Resolved, That said license be for one year from June 1st and that the Common Council will grant no other licenses except from amongst those applied for and within the time aforesaid.

Resolved, That said application when presented be referred to the Committee on Licenses to report to this Board.

Alderman Van Vorst offered the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City are authorized by a supplement to the charter passed the 26th day of February, A. D. 1853, to borrow money in anticipation of the collection of any assessment for street improvements and

Whereas, certain improvement bonds and improvement certificates have become due or are about falling due for the improvements of Grand street between Mill Creek and Jersey street, and city bonds are due or falling due for the improvement of Steuben street from Washington to Prospect streets and the improvement of South Seventh street from Jersey avenue to Newark avenue and the amount at present collected on the assessments for the above improvements being insufficient to meet the payment of said bonds and certificates. Therefore

Resolved, That the finance committee be and are hereby authorized to borrow (for the renewal of bonds and certificates heretofore issued in anticipation of the collection of the assessment for the improvement of Grand st. between Jersey street and the Mill Creek the sum of thirty eight hundred dollars, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized on the requisition of the committee on finance to issue under the corporate seal of the city improvement Bond or bonds for the same.

Resolved, That the finance committee be and are hereby authorized to borrow for the purpose of paying off city bonds given to Garret E. Winants in anticipation of the collection of the assessment for the improvement of Steuben street from Washington street to Prospect street the sum of five thousand five hundred dollars, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized on the requisition of the committee on finance to issue under the corporate seal of the city an improvement bond or bonds for the same.

Resolved, That the finance committee be and are hereby authorized to borrow (for the renewal of an improvement bond heretofore issued) in anticipation of the collection of the assessment for the improvement of South 7th street from Jersey avenue to Newark ave., the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized on the requisition of the committee on finance to issue under the corporate seal of the city an improvement bond for the same.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Thurston, Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Hankins and Roosevelt.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be instructed to prepare an ordinance to limit the hight, and prevent, within certain limits, the erection of wooden buildings.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted:

Resolved, That the City Clerk and City Comptroller furnish the Common Council with a complete list of the leases the City now holds, for property sold for taxes and assessments, and also what amount of monies is due thereon to the 1st day of May, 1858.

Alderman Van Vorst offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committe on Finance be authorized to borrow, in anticipation of the taxes of the year 1858, the sum of five thousand dollars, payable on the twentieth day of December, A.D. 1858, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized, on the requisition of the Committee on Finance, to issue under the Corporate Seal of the City, Bonds of the City for said amount, payable on the twentieth day of December. A.D. 1858, with interest at and after the rate of seven per centum, per annum.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, Aldermen J M Brown, W R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Hankins and Roosevelt.

Alderman Van Vorst offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to borrow in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the

year 1857, the sum of five thousand dollars for a period of four months, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized on the repuisition of the Committee on Finance to issue under the corporate seal of the city a bond of the city for said amount payable in four months from its date, with interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen J M Brown, W.R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nay—President Thurston.

Absent—Aldermen Hankins and Roosevelt.

Alderman Van Vorst offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resolution adopted at the last meeting of the Board, whereby the matter of extra printing was ordered to be done under contract, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Alderman Tilden moved, that the resolution be laid upon the table.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Erwin, and Tilden.

Yeas—President Thurston, Aldermen J M Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Wickware

Nays—Aldermen W R Brown, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, Voorhies.

Absent—Aldermen Hankins and Roosevelt.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman J. M. Brown, and adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Water Commissioners be requested to publish the proceedings of that Board in one of the daily papers, published in this City.

Alderman Tilden presented the following. entitled Ordinance, and the same was laid upon the table, viz: "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of sewers in Jersey City."

On motion of Alderman W. R Brown, the Ordinance presented and laid upon the table October 20th, 1857, entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for the filling in to the established grade Grove street, between Pavonia Avenue and Mill Creek, curbing, laying gutter stone, bridge stone cross walks, paving and flagging side walks four feet wide, including intersections," was taken up for consideration.

The first Section of the Ordinance was amended on motion of Alderman W R Brown, by adding the following words: "Between Pavonia Avenue and North Third street, on both sides, and on the east side, between North Third Street and Mill Creek."

The title of the ordinance was amended on motion of Alderman W. R Brown, so as to read as follows:

"An ordinance to provide for the filling in to the established grade Grove street between Pavonia avenue and Mill Creek, curbing, laying gutter stone, bridge stone cross walks, paving and flagging side walks four feet wide, between Pavonia avenue and North Third street on both sides, and on the east side between North Third street and Mill Creek, including intersections."

The ordinance as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen J M Brown, W R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Hankins and Roosevelt.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the claim of S. Sinclair, late Collector of Taxes, amounting to $35, for office rent, was taken from the table. The claim was referred to the committee on salaries, offices and elections.

On motion of Alderman McLaughlin, the two receipts of the Merchant's Insurance Co, of the city of New York, for premium on renewals of policies of insurance on the Engine House at the north west corner of Grand and Van Vorst streets, and public school house No. 2, which were presented and laid upon the table March 30th, 1858, were taken up for consideration.

Alderman McLaughlin moved "That warrants be drawn by the Mayor and City Clerk on the treasurer, in favor of the Merchant's Insurance Company, of the city of New York for the amount of premiums on renewal of policies of insurance on the Engine House at the north west corner of Grand and Van Vorst streets and on Public School House No. 2.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Erwin and J M Brown:

Yeas—Aldermen W R Brown, Earle, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Van Vorst and Wickware.

Nays---President Thurston and Aldermen J M Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, McBride, Tilden and Voorhies.

Absent---Aldermen Hankins and Roosevelt.

Alderman J. M. Brown moved—

"That the City Clerk be directed to return to the Merchants Insurance Company of the City of New York, their receipts for renewal of policies of insurance on the Engine House in Grand street, and Public School House No. 2."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen, Hardenbergh, Erwin and McLaughlin.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, McBride, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—Aldermen W. R. Brown Earle, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Van Vorst and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen Hankins and Roosevelt.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and rejected, subsequently on motion of Alderman Van Vorst the vote was reconsidered by which it was rejected and the resolution was adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire & Water in conjunction with the Chief Engineer, be requested to locate a lot in the 4th Ward for Phoenix Hose No 2, and report to the common council at their next meeting.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board proceeded to the appointment of Collector of Arrears of Taxes.

Aldermen Clarke and McLaughlin were appointed and acted as tellers.

Ten unsuccessful ballotings were had as follows:

NAMES.	BALLOTINGS. 1 VOTES.	2 VOTES.	3 VOTES.	4 VOTES.	5 VOTES.	6 VOTES.	7 VOTES.	8 VOTES.	9 VOTES.	10 VOTES.
Jeremiah B. Cleveland, rec'd	3	1	4	2	3	2	3	2	2	3
George E. Cutter, received..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Henry E. Insley, received...	3	5	4	5	5	3	4	5	5	3
Peter P. Post, received.....	5	7	5	6	8	7	7	7	7	7
Blanks cast.....	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1

After the tenth balloting further balloting for Collector of Arrears of Taxes was postponed.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the Board of Education for the Second ward.

Same tellers acted.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Jacob A. Van Buskirk received eleven votes.

Justus Slater received three votes.

Whereupon Jacob A. Van Buskirk was declared appointed a member of the Board of Education.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the Board of Education for the Third Ward.

Same tellers acted.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Thomas T Lacy received fourteen votes.

Whereupon Thomas T Lacy was declared appointed a member of the Board of Education.

On motion of Alderman Wickware the board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the Board of Education for the Fourth Ward.

Same tellers acted.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

William T Woodruff received twelve votes.

J S Christie received one vote.

James Narine received one vote.

Whereupon William T Woodruff was declared appointed a member of the Board of Education.

On motion of Alderman Earle the Board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the Board of Education for the First ward.

Same tellers acted.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows :

John W Parker received fourteen votes.

Whereupon John W Parker was declared appointed a member of the Board of Education.

On motion of Alderman Erwin it was

Resolved, That the committee on streets be authorized to advertise for proposals for cleaning the public streets of Jersey City for the coming year.

On motion of Alderman Earle the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF THE COMPTROLLER TO THE COMMON COUNCIL OF JERSEY CITY, FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1858.

To the Honorable the Common Council of Jersey City:

THE undersigned respectfully presents the annexed Annual Report of theFinances of the City, for the year ending on the 30th day of April, 1858.

J. V. HARDENBERGH, *Comptroller.*

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, *May 15th*, 1858.

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Dr. *Balance Sheet to May 1st, 1857, as per Last Report.* Cr.

City Property	$111996 69	Corporation	$73075 21
" Treasury	17236 92	Bonds Payable	51650 00
Newark ave. Grove to Warren st.	75 00	Warrants	1354 16
Taxes of 1855	8179 78	Improvement Certificates	23699 05
South 3d street from Jersey ave. to Prospect street	331 41	City Stock	14000 00
Montgomery street opening	250 00	Redemption of Lots	1092 35
Grand st., from Jersey st. to Mill Creek	16310 90	Water Commissioners	865 05
Prospect st., Bay st. to Pavonia avenue	2147 43	Railroad avenue sewer	150 00
Jersey avenue opening	112 00	South 3d st. sewer	75 00
Grove street	12 00	Hamilton square Improvement	2500 00
South 7th street, Jersey to Newark avenues	485 71	Deficiency Ac't, 1856	5882 39
Jersey st., Mercer to Grand sts.	685 11	Warren st., Montgomery to Morgan streets	9 30
South 6th st., Erie st. to Jersey avenue	685 64	Improvement Bonds Payable	17000 00
South 1st st., Prospect to Grove streets	26 54	Grand street, Henderson street to Public Square	64 94
Prospect street, Pavonia Avenue to North 6th street	892 59	Railroad avenue south side from Newark ave. to Gilbert st.	31 93
Wayne st., Jersey to Putnam sts.	1071 93	Grand st., Warren to V. Vorst sts.	22 03
Pavonia Ave., Provost to Erie sts.	1745 81	South 8th street, Newark ave. to Brunswick streets	30 02
Prospect st, Newark to Pavonia avenues	10040 00	Erie st., Pavonia ave. to South 9th street	13 94
Bay st., Prospect to Grove sts.	1902 07	Barrow st., Grand to Bright sts.	26 76
South 3d st., Jersey to Monmouth streets	2135 52	Montgomery st., Grove to Henderson streets	65 32
Monmouth st., South 2d to South 8th streets	15 62	Railroad avenue, Grove to Gilbert streets	14 64
Taxes of 1856	2816 96	Warren st., Essex to Bergen sts.	15 53
Isaac S. Miller	699 91	Coles st., South 2d to South 4th streets	14 13
Bills Receivable	1000 00	York st., Warren to Henderson st.	3 78
Barrow st., Newark ave to Canal street	455 39	South 1st st., Grove to Erie sts.	18 00
Hudson st., regulating	1409 59	Do. 2d st., Grove to Coles sts.	23 41
Grove street, Montgomery street to Newark avenue	13 71	Do. 4th st., Coles to Erie sts.	14 91
Michigan street, Grove to Newark avenue	16 62		
Newark avenue, Grove to 100 feet west of Monmouth street	599 33		
Grand st, Grove to Jersey sts.	210 78		
Bright st., Grove to Barrow sts.	393 08		
Washington, Wayne and Greene streets	56 12		
Washington st., Steuben to Morgan sts	155 13		
Warren st, Montgomery to Morgan sts	894 69		
Jersey ave., South 2d st. to Newark ave	1 47		
Grand st., Henderson to Grove sts	892 13		
Montgomery st., Grove to Barrow streets	178 32		
South 7th street, Grove street to Jersey ave	72 39		
Railroad avenue, north side from Newark ave. to Prospect st.	86 83		
Morgan st., Warren to Prospect streets	1619 97		
Morgan st, Grove to Greene sts.	80 73		
Railroad avenue, north side from Wayne to Prospect sts	4 00		
Warren street, Newark avenue to Morgan st	227 47		
Prospect st., Newark ave. to Bay street	78 82		
South 5th street, Erie street to 200 feet west of Prospect st	37 52		
Railroad avenue, north side from Jersey street to Brunswick st.	780 35		
Grand st., Van Vorst to Grove sts	817 69		
South 8th st., Grove st. to Newark ave	493 32		
South 6th st, Jersey to Newark ave	270 27		
Hudson st., Wayne to Mercer sts.	539 45		
Henderson st., Grand to Newark avenue	22 32		
Sunken Lots, Railroad avenue, Prospect and Morgan sts	449 81		
Amount	$191711 84	Amount	$191711 84

(B)

Tax Appropriations for the year commencing May 1st, 1857.

For Street Repairs	$3000 00
" " Cleaning	2500 00
" Support of Police	16000 00
" " Alms House and Hospital	5000 00
" Erection of Work House	750 00
" Support of City Prison	600 00
" " Public Schools	11000 00
" Repairing Fire Engine Houses	500 00
" Support, &c. of Fire Engines and Apparatus	1500 00
" Contingent Expenses of Fire Department	200 00
" Payment of Salaries	9000 00
" " Rent on Public Grounds and Buildings	1500 00
" Printing, Stationery and Supplies	800 00
" Improvement and Repairs of Public Grounds and Buildings	1000 00
" The Clebration of the Fourth of July	500 00
" Payment of Interest on City Debt	5000 00
" Fire Department Water Rents	1000 00
" Water for Use of Public Buildings	200 00
" Legal Expenses	250 00
" Removal of Nuisances	50 00
" Protection of Public Health	200 00
" Election Expenses	200 00
" Erection of Public Lamps and Posts, and Lighting the same	11000 00
" Sewers	2000 00
" Building of Station House, and Erection of Bell Tower	4000 00
" Further Improvement of Hamilton Square	3500 00
" " " Washington Square	2500 00
" Scrivener for City Clerk	200 00
" Building Fire Engine Houses	1000 00
" The Completion of the City Maps	2300 00
	$87250 00

(C.)

Statement of Expenditures on accounts provided for by appropriations made under Tax Ordinance for the fiscal year commencing May 1st, 1857.

	Appropriation.	Expenditures.	Total.
For Street Repairs	$3000 00	$3466 24	
" Do Cleaning	2500 00	2081 25	
" Support of Police Department, exclusive of Fines and Licenses	16000 00	13600 26	
" Support of the Alms House and Hospital	5000 00	9912 12	
" Erection of a Workhouse	750 00	1090 18	
" Support of City Prison	600 00	709 94	
" " Public Schools	11000 00	12080 46	
" Repairing Fire Engine Houses	500 00	711 03	
" Support of Fire Engines and Apparatus	1500 00	1253 13	
" Expenses of Fire Department	200 00	2359 33	
" Payment of Salaries	9000 00	9673 57	
" " Rent of Buildings, Grounds and Rooms used for Public Offices	1500 00	927 50	
" Printing, Stationery and Supplies	800 00	1259 95	
" Public Grounds and Buildings	1000 00	1162 51	
" Celebration of 4th of July	500 00	608 60	
" Payment of Interest on City Debt	5000 00	5961 49	
" Fire Department, Water Rents Assessed by Water Commissioners on Hydrants	1000 00	1000 00	
" Water for Use of Public Buildings	200 00	200 00	
" Legal Expenses and employment of Counsel	250 00	481 44	
" Removal of Nuisances	50 00	181 25	
" Protection of Public Health	200 00	236 80	
" Election Expenses	200 00	159 76	
" The Erection of Public Lamps and Posts and Lighting the same	11000 00	9358 36	
" Repairing of Sewers	2000 00	292 57	
" The Building of a Station House and the Erection of a Bell Tower	4000 00		
" Further Improvement of Hamilton Square	3500 00	1748 90	
" Further improvement of Washington Square	2500 00	8 74	
" Scrivener for City Clerk	200 00	200 00	
" Buiding Fire Engine Houses	1000 00	1495 89	
" Completion of City Maps	2300 00	1250 00	
" Contingent "No Appropriation"		1615 50	
			$85086 77
Unexpended Appropriation on Hamilton Square		1751 10	
" " Washington Square		2491 26	
			4242 36
Total expenditures			$89329 13
The two last entries as above are charged as Expenditures, the contract on Hamilton Square having been completed and Contractor about to receive payment			
Also arrangements having been completed for the disbursements of the unexpended appropriation on Washington Square.			
The above accounts credited by the following amounts:			
Streets Lighting, amount collected by Ald. Hankins for damage done to Street Lamps		4 00	
Police, by Fines collected	556 00	860 00	
" Licenses collected	304 00		
Alms House and Hospital, coal furnished the various City Departments		277 43	
Work House, amount received of E. Cunard		700 00	
Public Schools, State School Fund Quota	1787 00	3060 50	
" " Poll Tax	1273 50		
Interest by monies received on Redemption		2531 50	
Contingent by monies received on Redemptions and Vault Fees		934 23	8367 66
			$80961 47
Appropriation as per Tax Ordinance 1857			87250 00
Surplus of Appropriation			$6288 53

N.B.—The sum of one thousand dollars was borrowed in February last, and appro riated to the Alms House, which reduces the excess of expenditure to thirty-five hundred nd thirty-four dollars sixty-nine cents.

(D.)

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures on all accounts from May 1st, 1857, to May 1st, 1858.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENSES.	
Balance in Treas'y, May 1st, 1857.	$17175 33	Corporation	$110 32
Bonds Payable	37500 00	Bonds Payable	27000 00
Improvment Bonds Payable	19150 00	Improvment Bonds, Payable	30000 00
Assessments	28332 53	" Certificates	25625 93
Redemption of Lots	14685 26	Redemption of Lots	14005 07
Water Commissioners	179 06	Water Commissioners	8112 07
Taxes of 1857	80094 90	A. T. Smith, late C. T	753 08
" 1856	1062 10	Grand st. from Jersey st. to Mill	
" 1855	378 29	Creek	455 34
" 1854	1291 24	South 5th street, from Erie st. to	
Water Rents of 1856	1488 45	Newark ave	30 58
Interest, Special Fund	3601 76	Railroad ave. Sewer	150 00
Contingent, "	909 23	South 3d street Sewer	75 00
Fines	556 00	Streets Repairing, old acc't 1856	10 00
Licenses	304 00	" Cleaning, "	550 00
Sewer in South 1st Street	75 00	" Lighting, "	534 92
" Wayne street, &c	150 00	Police, "	1026 67
" Van Vorst & Grand sts.	150 00	Alms House and Hospital	624 29
" South 3d Street	150 00	City Prison	88 15
Police	128 00	Public Schools	197 01
Alms House	150 00	Fire Department	811 43
Streets Lighting	4 00	Fire Engines Houses	111 25
Work House	700 00	Fire Engine and Apparatus	662 43
Public Schools	2115 50	Salaries	750 00
Vault Fees	25 00	Rent	162 50
Military Tax	41 50	Printing, Stationery & Supplies	102 83
	$210397 15	Legal Expenses	55 00
		Election	199 42
Am't. Warrants Unpaid, May 1st, 1858	7601 63	Contingent	396 75
		Hamilton Square	4248 90
		Prospect street	16 00
	$217998 78	Taxes of 1857	9433 83
Deduct amount charged to City Treasurer and remaining unpaid	07	" 1856	116 33
		Interest, Special Fund	1070 26
		Contingent, "	1615 50
		Interest	5961 49
		Erection of Public Lamps & Posts	3454 62
		Streets Lighting	5903 74
		" Cleaning	2081 25
		" Repairing	3466 24
		Police	13600 26
		Alms House Hospital and Poor	9634 69
		City Prison	709 94
		Work House, Erection of	1090 18
		Public Schools	12080 46
		Fire Engine Houses	711 03
		" and Apparatus	1253 13
		Fire Department, Contingent	2359 33
		Salaries	9673 57
		Rent	927 50
		Printing, Stationery & Supplies	1259 95
		Fourth of July Celebration	608 60
		Public Grounds and Buildings	1162 51
		Erection of Engine House No. 1	10 50
		Legal Expenses	481 44
		Nuisances	181 25
		Election	159 76
		Public Health	236 80
		Scrivener for City Clerk	200 00
		Sewers	292 57
		Washington Square	8 74
		City Maps	1250 00
		Engine House, Erecting Hose 4	1495 89
		Taxes of 1852	1 49
		" 1853	6 02
		" 1854	42 60
		South 6th street, Prospect st. to Newark ave	40 00
		South 7th street, Monmouth st. to Brunswick st	40 00
		Coles street, South 5th street to Newark ave	40 00
			$209536 41
		Amount, Warrants unpaid May 1st, 1857	135164
		Balance in Treasury May 1st, 1858	710148
	$217998 71		$217998 71

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Dr. *Balance Sheet from May 1st, 1857, to May 1st, 1858.* Cr.

City Property	$113196	69	Corporation	$74142	48
Newark ave., Grove to Warren st.	75	00	Bonds Payable	70793	16
Water Commissioners	29	00	City Stock	14000	00
Taxes of 1857	21997	43	Improvment Bonds Payable	6150	00
" 1856	1871	19	Improved Certificates	24942	74
" 1855	7871	19	Warrants	7601	63
A. T. Smith	753	08	Redemption of Lots	1710	95
Isaac S. Miller	699	91	Water Rents of 1856	112	99
Bills Receivable	1000	00	Hamilton Square	1751	10
City Treasury	7108	21	Washington "	2491	26
Deficiency Account 1856	132	26	Deficiency Account, 1857	6288	53
Montgomery street Opening	250	00	Military Tax	41	50
Jersey avenue "	112	00	South 1st st. Sewer	75	00
Grove street "	12	00	Van Vorst and Grand st. Sewer	150	00
Engine House No. 1, Erection of	10	50	Grand st. Henderson to P. Square	64	94
South 3d street, Jersey avenue to Prospect street	287	01	Railroad av. Newark av. to Gilbert street	31	93
Grand street Jersey street to Mill Creek	16766	24	Grand st. Warren to Van Vorst street	22	03
South 5th street, Erie street Newark avenue	30	58	Barrow st Grand to Bright sts	26	75
Wayne st. Newark av. &c. Sewers	5732	00	Montgomery st. Grove to Henderson street	65	32
South 3d st. Sewer	3413	33	Railroad av. Grove to Gilbert sts.	14	64
South 7th st. Jersey to Newark avenue	454	23	Coles st. South 2d to South 4th sts	14	13
Jersey st. Mercer to Grand st.	90	0	York st. Warren to Henderson sts.	3	78
Wayne st: Jersey to Putnam st.	215	95	South 6th st. Jersey to Newark av.	66	39
Prospect st. Pavonia av. No. 6th street	59	57	" 1st st. Grove to Erie sts	18	00
Warren st. Morgan to Montgomery street	1248	82	" 2d st. Grove to Coles sts	23	41
Prospect st. Newark to Pavonia avenues	5303	43	" Coles to Erie	14	91
South 3d st. Jersey av. to Monmouth street	94	23	Warren st. Essex to Bergen sts	15	53
Monmouth st. between South 2d and South 8th streets	242	98			
South 6th st. between Prospect st. and Newark av	3213	13			
Coles st. South 5th st. to Newark avenue	1920	33			
South 7th st. Monmouth to Brunswick street	1040	00			
Steuben street	7443	16			
Barrow st. Newark av. to Canal street	455	39			
Hudson street	1409	59			
Grove st. Montgomery street to Newark avenue	13	71			
Michigan st. Grove st. to Newark avenue	16	62			
Newark av. Grove to Monmouth street	599	33			
Grand st. Grove to Jersey st.	210	78			
Bright st. Grove to Barrow st.	393	08			
Washington, Wayne & Green sts.	56	12			
Washington st Steuben to Morgan street	155	13			
Warren st. Montgomery to Morgan street	894	69			
Grand st. Henderson to Grove st.	892	13			
Montgomery st. Grove to Barrow street	178	32			
South 7th st. Grove st. to Jersey avenue	72	39			
Railroad av. Newark av. and Prospect st	85	83			
Morgan st. Warren to Prospect sts.	343	73			
" Grove to Greene sts.	80	73			
Railroad av. Warren to Prospect street	4	00			
Warren st. Newark av. to Morgan	227	47			
Prospect st. Newark av. to Bay st.	78	82			
South 5th st. Erie to Prospect sts.	37	52			
Railroad av. Jersey av. to Brunswick street	218	37			
Grand st. Van Vorst to Grove sts.	560	13			
South 8th st. Grove st. to Newark avenue	33	87			
Hudson st. Wayne to Mercer sts	539	45			
Henderson st. Grand st. to Newark avenue	22	32			
Sunken Lots Railroad av. Prospect street	449	81			
	$210633	10		$210633	10

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Statement of Bonds issued from May 1st, 1857, to May 1st, 1858.

CITY BONDS.

Date.	No.	On What Account.	Time.	When Due.	Amount.
July 27, 1857,	114	Temp. Loan in anticip'n. of Taxes	3 months	Oct. 27, 1857,	$5000 00
Aug. 20, "	115	" " " "	4 "	Dec. 20, "	10000 00
" 20, "	117	" " " "	4 "	" 20, "	5000 00
Oct. 29, "	118	Purch. money of lot 169, Bright st	5 years.	Oct. 29, 1862,	1200 00
" 29, "	119	Renewal of Bond 114	53 days.	Dec. 20, 1857,	5000 00
Dec. 17, "	120	Reg. Steub. fm Wash. to Prosp. sts	60 "	Feb. 15, 1858,	1000 00
" " "	121	" " " "	60 "	" 15, "	1000 00
" " "	122	" " " "	60 "	" 15, "	1000 00
" " "	123	" " "	6 months	June 17, "	1000 00
" " "	124	" " "	6 "	" 17, "	1000 00
" " "	125	" " "	6 "	" 17, "	1000 00
" " "	126	" " "	7 "	July 17, "	1443 16
Feb. 3, 1858.	128	Loan for Alms House	5 years.	Feb, 3, 1863,	1000 00
" 3, "	129	Temporary loan	3 months	May 3, 1858.	2500 00
April 12, "	130	Loan	5 years.	April 12, 1863,	9000 00
					$46,143 16

IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

June 26, 1857,	11	Grand st. Improvement	3 months	Sept. 26, 1857	$5000 00
July 13, "	12	Renewal	3 "	Oct. 13, "	300 00
" 13, "	13	"	3 "	" 13, "	700 00
" 16, "	14	"	3 "	" 16, "	5500 00
" 4, "	16	South 7th street Improvement	4 "	Nov. 4, "	350 00
" 4, "	17	Grand street Improvement	4 "	" 4, "	700 00
" 4, "	18	" "	4 "	" 4, "	600 00
Oct. 13, "	19	Renewal	77 days.	Dec. 28, "	300 00
Sept. 26, "	20	"	86 "	" 20, "	5000 00
Oct. 13, "	21	"	72 "	" 23, "	700 00
Nov. 4, "	22	"	6 months	May 4, 1858	1650 00
April 7, 1858,	23	Steuben st. fm Wash. to Prosp. sts	1 year	April 7, 1859	1000 00
" 7, "	24	Rail'd av. bet. Jersey & Bruns. sts	1 "	" 7, "	700 00
" 7, "	25	Grand st. Jersey st. to Mill Creek	1 "	" 7, "	500 00
					$22,800 00
		Total			$68,943 16

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Statement of Bonds redeemed from May 1st, 1857, to May 1st 1858.

Date.	No	On What Account.	When Due.	When Paid.	Amount.
July 29, 1857	114	Temporary Loan	Oct. 27, 1857	Nov. 23, 1857	$5000 00
Oct. 27, "	119	" "	Dec. 20, "	Dec. 19, "	5000 00
Aug. 20, "	115	" "	" 20, "	" 21, "	10000 00
" 20, "	117	" "	" 20, "	" 22, "	5000 00
Feb. 1. 1858	120	Stuben st fm Wash. to Prosp. st	Feb. 15, 1858	Feb. 27, 1858	1000 00
" 1, "	122	" " "	" 15 "	April 8, "	1000 00
					$27,000 00

IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

March 28, 1857	7	Grand street improvement	June 26, 1857	June 30, 1857	$5000 00
Jan. 5, "	5	" "	July 6, "	July 10, "	700 00
April 16, "	10	" "	" 16, "	" 29, "	5500 00
Jan. 5, "	4	" "	" 6, "	Aug. 5, "	600 00
June 26, "	11	" "	Sept. 26, "	Nov. 23, "	5000 00
July 16, "	14	" "	Oct. 16, "	Dec. 5, "	5500 00
Sept. 26, "	20	" "	Dec. 20, "	" 19, "	5000 00
Oct. 13, "	19	" "	" 28, "	April 8, 1858	300 00
" 13, "	21	Railroad Avenue	" 23, "	" 8, "	700 00
Jan. 5, "	3	Grand street	Jan. 5, 1858	" 16, "	1700 00
					$30,000 00
		Total			$57,000 00

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Statement of Bonds outstanding against Jersey City May 1st, 1858.

Date.	No.	On What Account.	Time.	When Due.	Amount
July 1, 1853,	26	Loan	10 years	July 1, 1863	$1250 00
" 1, "	27	do	10 "	" 1, "	1250 00
Oct. 20, 1846,	37	Mortgage renewed	3 "	Oct. 20, 1859	4000 00
June 27, 1851,	2	do	10 "	June 27, 1861	3300 00
Nov. 20, 1849,		do	1 "		800 00
Aug. 1, 1854,	35	Public School lots 4th ward	5 "	August 1, 1859	1000 00
" 1, "	36	do	5 "	"	1000 00
" 1, "	37	do	5 "	"	1000 00
" 1, "	38	do	5 "	"	1000 00
" 1, "	39	do	5 "	"	1000 00
April 10, 1855,	50	Loan	5 "	10, 1860	1000 00
Oct. 4, 1852,		Bond and Mortgage	10 "		800 00
March 18, 1856,	83	Loan to fund portion of F debt	10 "	March 18, 1866	1000 00
" 18, "	84	do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	85	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	86	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	87	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	88	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	89	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	90	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	91	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	92	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	93	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	94	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	95	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	96	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	97	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	98	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	99	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	100	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	101	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
" 18, "	102	do do do	10 "	"	1000 00
June 1, 1856,	104	Exchange of Bond No. 40	3 "	June 1, 1859	1000 00
" 1, "	105	do 41	3 "	"	500 00
Aug. 1, 1856,	107	Loan Exchange of Bond 33	3 ys 4dys	August 4, 1859	10000 00
Oct. 27, 1856,	111	Loan for erecting Truck House	15 years	Oct. 27, 1871	2000 00
Dec. 12, 1856,	113	Purchase money of lots for abve	15 "	Dec. 12, "	750 00
Oct. 29, 1857,	118	do for Hose House	5 "	Oct 29, 1862	1200 00
Dec. 17, 1857,	121	Steuben st. Improvement	60 days	Feb'y 15, 1858	1000 00
" 17, "	123	do	6 months	June 17, "	1000 00
" 17, "	124	do	6 "	"	1000 00
" 17, "	125	do	6 "	"	1000 00
" 17, "	126	do	7 "	July "	1443 16
Feb'y 3, 1858,	128	Loan	5 years	Feb'y 3, 1863	1000 00
" 3, "	129	Temporary Loan	3 months	May 3, 1858	2500 00
April 12, 1858,	130	Loan	5 years	April 12, 1863	9000 00
					$70,793 16

IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

Jan'y 14, 1857	1	Grand street Improvement	1 year	Jan'y 14, 1859	$1500 00
do	6	do	do	do 5,	1000 00
Nov. 4,	22	Grand and S. 7th st Impr'mnts	6 months	May 4,	1650 00
April 7, 1858	23	Steuben street Improvement	1 year	April 7, 1859	1000 00
do	24	Railroad Avenue Improvement	do	do	700 00
do	25	Grand street Improvement	do	do	300 00
					$6,150 00

CITY STOCK.

May 23, 1849	1	Permanent Loan	14ys 9ms	Feb'y 23, 1864	$1000 00
do	2	do	do	do	1000 00
do	3	do	do	do	1000 00
do	4	do	do	do	1000 00
do	5	do	10 years	May 23, 1859	1000 00
do	6	do	do	do	1000 00
do	7	do	do	do	1000 00
do	8	do	do	do	1000 00
do	9	do	do	do	1000 00
do	10	do	14ys 9ms	Feb'y 23, 1648	1000 00
Oct. 15, 1849	12	do	8 years	Oct. 15, 1857	1000 00
do	13	do	do	do	1000 00
do	14	do	9 do	Oct. 15, 1858	1000 00
do	15	do	do	do	1000 00
					14,000 00
				Total amount	$90,943 16

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Statement of Improvement Certificates issued to Contractors, from May 1st, 1857, to May 1st, 1858.

Date.	No.	To Whom Issued.	On What Account.	Amount
April 29, 1857,	169	J. R. Halliday,	Regulating Monmouth street, between South 2d and South [illegible]th streets,	$500 00
do	170	do do	do do do	500 00
do	171	do do	do do do	500 00
do	172	do do	do do do	553 48
do	173	William Moore,	Superintending the regulation of above,	86 25
do	174	Edward Coles,	Surveys, &c.,	32 50
May 26,	175	I. B. & D. E. Culver,	Surveys, &c. of Prospect st., from Newark to Pavonia Avenues,	156 15
June 16,	177	Patrick McCafferty,	Regulating Warren street, bet. Montgomery and Morgan streets,	3178 18
do	178	William A. Cummings,	Regulating Prospect st., from Newark to Pavonia Avenues,	3320 92
Aug. 6,	179	do do	Regulating South 6th street, from Prospect st. to Newark Avenue	4000 00
Sept. 17,	170	R. & I. McCafferty,	Building Sewer in South Third street,	1563 33
do 9,	181	do do	do do do	2000 00
do 10,	182	Wm. A. Cumming,	Reg. Coles st from S 5th st to Newark av	1000 00
Oct. 22,	183	E. M. Cleveland,	Superintending Prospect st., from Newark to Pavonia avenues,	275 00
do	1[illegible]4	Keeney & Halliday,	Building Sewer in Wayne to Newark and Railroad Avenues,	500 00
do	185	do do	do do do	500 00
do	186	do do	do do do	500 00
do	187	do do	do do do	500 00
do	188	do do	do do do	500 00
do	189	do do	do do do	500 00
do	180	do do	do do do	500 00
do	191	do do	do do do	500 00
do	192	do do	do do do	500 00
do	193	do do	do do do	500 00
do	194	do do	do do do	300 00
do	195	do do	do do do	300 00
do	196	do do	do do do	282 00
Nov. 12,	197	William H. Bumstead,	Reg. South 7th st., from Monmouth to Brunswick streets,	113 68
do	198	do do	do do do	236 32
do	199	do do	do do do	650 00
April 6, 1858,	200	I. B. & D. E. Culver,	Regulating South 6th st., from Prospect street to Newark avenue,	169 60
do	201	William Moore,	Superintending do do	211 88
do	202	Wm. A. Cumming,	Regulating do do	1060 00
April 24,	203	do do	Regulating Coles st., from South 5th st. to Newark avenue,	718 53
do	204	Hugh Keenan,	do do do	105 00
do	205	I. B. & D. E. Culver,	do do do	56 80
				$26869 62

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Statement of payments by requisition on account of Improvement Certificates from May 1st, 1857, to May 1st, 1858.

MAY.

No.	On Whose Account.	Amount.	Total.
104..in full..Reg.	R. R. Av. north side from Jersey to Brunswick sts..	$ 705 99	
90..in full.. do	South 3d st. from Jersey avenue to Prospect st..	223 86	
154..in full.. do	filling sunken lots on R. R. av. Prospect, Morgan, and Bay streets..	275 40	
131.. on act..Reg.	Prospect street, between Pavonia avenue and 100 feet north of North 6th street..	316 50	
172..in full..Reg.	Monmouth street, between South 2d and South 8th streets..	553 48	
173..in full.. do	..do..	86 25	
174..in full.. do	..do.. ..do..	32 50	
144..in full.. do	South 3d street, from Jersey avenue to Monmouth street..	1003 00	
163..in full.. do	Pavonia avenue between Provost and Erie streets..	500 00	
164..in full.. do	..do.. ..do..	500 00	
165..in full.. do	..do.. ..do..	576 73	
74..in full.. do	Jersey street from Mercer to Grand streets..	200 00	
76..in full.. do	..do.. ..do..	835 03	
97..in full.. do	South 6th street between Jersey av. and Erie st...	728 54	
109..on act..Reg.	Monmouth st. between South 2d and South 8th sts.	268 00	6805 28

JUNE.

134	in full	Reg.	Prospect st. from Newark to Pavonia avenues	1000 00	
135	in full	do	do do	1000 00	
131	in full	do	Prospect st. between Pavonia avenue and 100 feet north of North 6th st	183 50	
177	on act.	Reg.	Warren st. between Montgomery and Morgan sts.	1200 00	
175	in full	Reg.	Prospect st. from Newark to Pavonia avenues	156 15	3539 65

JULY.

77	in full	Reg.	Jersey st. from Mercer to Grand sts	104 20	
82	in full	do	South 7th st. between Newark and Jersey avenues.	350 00	
95	in full	do	Mercer st. between Greene and Washington sts.	41 25	
153	in full	do	Warren st. between Montgomery and Morgan sts.	116 25	
169	on act.	Reg.	Monmouth st. beween South 2d and South 8th sts.	206 00	
141	on act.	do	Prospect st. from Newark to Pavonia avenues	509 00	
177	on act.	do	Warren st. between Morgan and Montgomery sts.	350 00	1667 70

AUGUST,

145	on act.	Reg.	South 3d st. between Jersey avenue and Monmouth streets	225 00	
169	in full	do	Monmouth street between South 2d and South 8th streets	26 00	
170	on act.	do	do do	37 00	
138	on act.	do	Prospect st. from Newark to Pavonia avenues	324 00	
123	in full	do	Pavonia avenue from Provost to Erie sts	1000 00	
125	on act.	do	do do	167 00	
116	in full	do	Wayne st. from Jersey st. to 200 feet west of Putnam street	100 00	
119	in full	do	do do	550 41	
115	on act.	do	do do	332 90	
177	on act.	do	Warren st. between Montgomery and Morgan sts.	450 00	
103	in full	do	do do	255 42	
146	in full	do	South 3d st. between Jersey avenue and Monmouth streets	432 22	
145	on act.	do	do do	155 0,	
170	on act.	do	Monmouth street between South 2d and South 8th streets	215 00	4269 95

SEPTEMBER.

149	on act.	Reg.	Bay street from Prospect to Grove streets	1000 00	

OCTOBER.

170	in full	Reg.	Monmouth street between South 2d and South 8th streets	248 00	
106	in full	do	Railroad avenue north side between Jersey and Brunswick streets	16 25	
133	on act.	do	Prospect street from Newark to Pavonia avenues.	540 00	
125	in full	do	Pavonia avenue between Provost and Erie sts	833 00	1637 25

NOVEMBER.

183	in full	Reg.	Prospect st. from Newark to Pavonia avenues	275 00	
149	in full	do	Bay street from Prospect to Grove sts	1002 39	1277 39

DECEMBER.

139	on act.	Reg.	Prospest st. from Newark to Pavonia avenues	423 00	
130	on act.	do	Prospect st. from Pavonia av. to 100 feet north of North 6th street	433 00	856 00

JANUARY.

145	on act.	Reg.	South 3d street from Jersey avenue to Monmouth street	223 00	
140	on act.	do	Prospect st. from Newark to Pavonia avenues	851 00	1074 00

FEBRUARY.

142	in full	Reg.	Prospect street from Newark to Pavonia avenues.	1000 00	
140	in full	do	do do	149 00	
137	in full	do	do do	1000 00	
139	in full	do	do do	577 00	
138	in full	do	do do	136 00	
136	on act.	do	do do	388 00	3250 0

MARCH.

145	in full	Reg.	South 3d st. between Jersey av. and Monmouth st.		79 11

APRIL.

200	in full	Reg.	South 6th st. from Prospect st. to Newark av.		169 60
					$25,625 93

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Statement of Improvement Certificates outstanding May 1st, 1858.

Date.	No.	To Whom Issued.	Amount.	Amount Unpaid.
Nov. 29, 1856	115	Wm. A. Cumming	$ 500 00	$ 167 10
Dec. 22,	130	James S. Noyes	500 00	67 00
Dec. 29,	136	Wm. A. Cumming	1000 00	612 00
do	141	do	1000 00	500 00
do	143	do	1000 00	1000 00
April 29, 1857	171	J. R. Halliday	500 00	500 00
June 16,	177	Patrick McCafferty	3178 18	1178 18
do	178	Wm. A. Cumming	3320 92	3320 92
Aug. 6, 1857	179	do	4000 00	4000 00
Sept. 17,	180	B. & P. McCafferty	1563 33	1563 33
Sept. 9,	181	do	2000 00	2000 00
Sept. 10,	182	Wm. A. Cumming	1000 00	1000 00
Oct. 22,	184	Keeney & Halliday	500 00	500 00
do	185	do	500 00	500 00
do	186	do	500 00	500 00
do	187	do	500 00	500 00
do	188	do	500 00	500 00
do	189	do	500 00	500 00
do	190	do	500 00	500 00
do	191	do	500 00	500 00
do	192	do	500 00	500 00
do	193	do	500 00	500 00
do	194	do	300 00	300 00
do	195	do	300 00	300 00
do	196	do	282 00	282 00
Nov. 12,	197	Wm. H. Bumstead	113 68	113 68
do	198	do	236 32	236 32
do	199	do	650 00	650 00
April 6, 1858	201	William Moore	211 88	211 88
do	202	Wm. A. Cumming	1060 00	1060 00
April 24,	203	do	718 53	718 53
do	204	Hugh Keenan	105 00	105 00
do	205	I. B. & D. E. Culver	56 80	56 80
				$24,942 74

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Statement of Warrants issued by Order of Common Council from May 1st, 1857, to May 1st, 1858, on Account of Alms House.

Date.	No.	To Whom Issued.	Amount.	Total.
		MAY.		
May 19th,	5780	To Brinkerhoff & Son, Clothing	$22 25	
do	5781	" Drayton & Durant, Bread	117 15	
do	5782	" J. A. Fredch, Shoes	33 64	
do	5783	" Henry Taylor, Meat from March 3d, to 31st, 1857,	40 55	
do	5784	" Chas. T. Gardner, Groceries do	118 94	
do	5806	" Frederick Boyes, Wood	6 18	
do	5807	" Patrick Farrell, Shoeing Horse	7 12	
do	5816	" Chas. T. Gardner, Groceries from April 2, to 27, '57,	58 89	
do	5822	" Drayton & Durant, Bread	93 04	
				$502 71
		JUNE		
June 4th,	5914	To Keeney & Halliday, Mason Work		7 77
		JULY.		
July 8th,	5952	To Samuel Anness, Stove and Water back to same	$49 00	
do	5953	" Drayton & Durant, Bread	88 65	
do	5954	" Charles T. Gardner, Groceries from May 4, to 30, '57,	376 25	
do	5955	" Edward Hope, Coffins and Hearse	9 50	
do	5956	" Michael Mullone, Work and Materials	35 15	
do	5957	" Henry Taylor, Meat from April 2, to May 30, 1857,	66 52	
July 22d,	6022	" S. H. Terry. Dry Goods	123 01	
do	6023	" Henry Taylor, Meat from June 3, to 30, 1857	33 60	
do	6024	" John Pringle, Plumbing	54 32	
do	6025	" C. T. Gardner, Groceries from June 3, to July 6, '57,	87 14	
do	6026	" R. B. Earle & Co., Carpet and Binding	21 38	
do	6027	" Drayton & Durant Bread	75 99	
do	6029	" H. Reily, feed for Horse from March to June 13, '57,	73 03	
				$1093 54

AUGUST.

Aug. 5th,	1	To Samuel Anness, Cutlery and Teaspoons	$3 90	
do	2	" S. Billington, Soap	15 00	
do	3	" Brinkerhoff & Son, Clothing	30 50	
do	4	" R. B. Earle & Co., Chairs	15 00	
do	5	" S. A. French, Shoes	4 06	
do	6	" J. A. French, Shoes from April 11, to July 3, 1857,	35 74	
do	7	" Edward Hope, jr., Wagon Hire	4 50	
do	8	" John B. Haight, Hardware	13 88	
do	9	" S. M. Hoffman, Wood	6 50	
do	10	" James Scott, 8 Bedsteads	24 00	
do	11	" William Ward, Caps	11 75	
do	12	" Daily Telegraph, Job Printing	5 00	
				$169 83

SEPTEMBER.

Sept. 2d,	13	To C. T. Gardner, groceries from July 9, to 31, 1857,	$59 52	
do	14	" Henry Taylor, meat for Alms House from July 4, to July 30, 1857	23 24	
do	15	" Drayton & Durant, bread	75 93	
do	16	" Hugh Reilly, oats, meal, &c	18 57	
Sept. 16th,	17	" Frederick Boyes, coal	1218 17	
				$1395 43

OCTOBER.

Oct. 7th,	18	To Henry Taylor, meat	$21 50	
do	19	" Hugh Reilly, oats, meal, &c	14 65	
do	20	" Jersey City & Harsimus Cemetry Co., burials from Nov. 24, 1856, to Aug. 26th, 1857	71 00	
do	22	" Drayton & Durant, bread	69 33	
do	23	" Hugh Mc Fadden, cow	11 00	
Oct. 13th,	21	" C. T. Gardner, groceries from Aug. 1, to 29, 1857	35 85	
Oct. 21st,	25	" C. Keenan, work and materials for rep. A. H. Dock.	180 70	
do	26	" Samuel Annesss, cutlery and hardware	11 85	
				$415 91

NOVEMBER.

Nov. 4th,	27	To Lucky & Golderman, advertising	$10 00	
do	28	" S. A. French, boots and shoes	134 62	
do	29	" Drayton & Durant, bread	64 32	
do	30	" C. T. Gardner, groceries	36 77	
do	31	" E. Hope, jr., carriage hire for burials	14 00	
do	32	" Isaac S. Miller, dry goods	25 05	
do	33	" Hugh Reilly, oats and meal	13 98	
do	34	" Henry Taylor, meat from Sept. 2, to 30, 1857	29 04	
Nov. 18th,	35	" James Robertson, vegetables	8 72	
do	36	" E. Hope, jr., carriage hire for burials	8 00	
do	37	" Drayton & Durant, bread	101 40	
				$445 90

DECEMBER.

Dec. 2d,	38	To Hugh Reilly, oats, meal, &c	$30 44	
do	39	" C. Van Brunt, iron bedsteads	85 00	
do	40	" O. T. McIntosh, groceries from Oct. 2 to Nov. 7, '57	234 22	
do	41	" Kemp & Ward, groceries from Nov. 4, to 17, 1857	390 59	
do	43	" S. Billington, board of child from Aug. 6, to Nov. 6, 1857, and hat for said child	14 12	
do	42	" S. Billington, soap	12 50	
Dec. 16th,	44	" Drayton & Durant, bread from Nov. 1, to 30, 1857.	200 10	
do	45	" Daily Sentinel, advertising	12 00	
do	46	" David Bedford, cash advanced to overseer of poor	4 00	
do	47	" E. Hope, jr., burials	9 50	
do	49	" T. C. Brown, Atty., dry goods	78 73	
do	48	" Samuel Anness, Hardware	60 94	
do	50	" Kemp & Ward, groceries	508 26	
do	51	" Henry Taylor, meat	33 72	
do	52	" do.....do	31 83	
				$1705 95

JANUARY.

Jan. 6th,	53	To J. A. French, goods furnished Oct. 28th, 1856	$45 12	
do	54	" Thomas Gaffney, hearse hire	3 00	
do	55	" S. C. McLaughlin, vegetables	8 82	
do	56	" Hugh Reilly, meal, oats, &c	59 25	
Jan. 20th,	57	" John Pringle, plumbing	12 85	
				$129 04

FEBRUARY.

Feb. 3d,	58	To A. B. Reynolds, crockery	$25 92	
do	59	" Kemp & Ward, groceries from Dec. 10, '57, to Jan. 2, 1858	210 21	
do	60	" Drayton & Durant, bread	273 03	
do	61	" Henry Taylor, meat	65 68	
do	62	" W. R. & J. B. Drayton, butter	11 78	
do	63	" Passaic Ice Co., ice	2 63	
do	64	" Brinkerhoff & Son, clothing	190 00	
do	65	" Geo. H. Mitchell, do.	125 00	
do	66	" P. Farrell, shoeing horse	9 00	
do	67	" Hugh Reilly, oats, meal, &c	95 25	
do	68	" E. Hope, jr., carriage hire for conveying man from Temperance Hall to Alms House	1 50	
do	69	" E. Hope, jr., burials	10 00	
Feb. 17th,	70	" P. A. Anner, blinds	6 50	
do	71	" S. A. French, shoes and boots	121 03	
do	72	" Joseph Young, stationery	34 85	
do	73	" Cronham & Wetterston, oil, turpentine, &c	6 04	
do	74	" J. A. French, shoes	14 15	
do	75	" Isaac Wakefield, work done	9 59	
do	76	" William Ward, caps	4 50	
do	77	" C. M. Betts, lumber	12 90	
do	78	" Morrell & Vanderbeck, stove tubes	6 51	
				$1236 07

MARCH.

March 3d,	79	To Japhet Jardine, plumbing	$6 84	
do	80	" William Dammer, leather findings	3 59	
do	81	" Doyle & Brady, 3 bales of straw	7 04	
do	82	" Drayton & Durant, bread	281 52	
do	83	" C. M. Betts, lumber	27 74	
do	84	" Hugh Reilly, feed	72 64	
do	85	" Joseph Young, stationery	27 60	
do	86	" Kemp & Ward, groceries from Jan. 5, to 25, 1858	339 52	
do	87	" Hoffman & Wood, wood	25 13	
Mar. 17th,	88	" Daily Courier and Advertiser, printing blank orders,	2 75	
do	89	" S. Anness, hardware	30 60	
do	90	" do do	9 31	
do	91	" do do	7 12	
do	92	" Joseph Young, stationery	39 00	
				$880 40

APRIL.

April 7th,	93	To Mynard Sharp, coal	$207 50	
do	94	" Mynard Sharp, coal	94 76	
do	95	" Hugh Reilly, oats, meal, &c	68 94	
do	96	" Kemp & Ward, groceries from Jan. 26, to Feb. 26, '58	525 62	
do	97	" Henry Tailor, meat from Jan. 2, to Feb. 27, 1858	74 19	
do	98	" C. M. Betts, lumber	29 95	
do	99	" E Hope, jr., burials	20 00	
do	100	" Drayton & Durant, bread	299 88	
do	101	" Kemp & Ward, groceries from March 1, to 16, 1858,	409 37	
do	102	" William Dammer, leather findings	4 09	
do	103	" Frederick Boyes, coal	24 62	
do	104	" Michael Keeney, value of clothing of said Keeney distributed at Alms House	30 00	
April 21st,	105	" Drayton & Durant, bread	313 65	
do	106	" Mynard Sharp, coal	249 86	
do	107	" Hugh Reilly, oats, meal, &c	68 02	
do	108	" J. C. Hardy, one night's use of Park Hall, object relief of poor	8 00	
do	109	" Mynard Sharp, coal	22 00	
do	110	" Jersey City and Harsimus Cemetry Co., burials	55 00	
April 27th,	111	" T. C. Brown, Attorney, dry goods	31 41	
do	112	" E. Hope, jr., carriage hire for burials	17 00	
				$2553 86

$10536 41

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Statement of Warrants issued by Order of Common Council, from May 1st, 1857, to May 1st, 1858, on acc't of Fire Department.

Date.	No.	To Whom Issued.	Amount.	Total.
		MAY.		
May 5th,	5777	To Smith Mead, work done	$ 50 49	
do	5795	" John B. Haight, Padlocks	1 13	
do	5797	" C. Van Buskirk, carting Hose to and from N. Y.	21 25	
do	5799	" John Marshall, Repairs, &c	48 12	
do	5800	" Woolsey & Woolsey, Goods, &c	25 33	
do	5801	" P. H. Zabriskie, repairing his stoop, damaged by hose company No. 3	4 00	
do	5802	" James Smith, Repairing	96 25	
do	5803	" Frederick Boyes, wood for engine house No. 1	3 50	
do	5804	" John Marshall, work done	22 00	
do	5805	" John Marshall, repairing and furnishing goods	50 25	
do	5818	" A. B. Reynolds, goods furnished	25 85	
do	5847	" W. W. Lee, fluid, oil, &c	5 93	
do	5796	" Pine & Hartshorn, alt. tender to engine No. 3	30 00	
do	5798	" A. A. Rice, work and materials	116 25	
do	5815	" Charles Langman, hose, &c	265 00	
				$765 35
		JUNE.		
June 3rd,	5880	To R. B. Kashow, stationery	25 88	
do	5895	" John H. Sickles, for work and goods furnished	296 00	
do	5896	" Jersey City Gas Light Co., gas for hose co. No. 3	1 0	
do	5897	" do do hook and ladder No. 1	9 13	
do	5898	" do do engine house No. 2	4 23	
do	5899	" do do do 5	2 88	
do	5900	" do do do do do	2 83	
do	5901	" do do hook and ladder No. 1	5 98	
do	5902	" do do engine house No. 3	4 23	
do	5903	" H. A. Miller, fluid, oil, wick, &c	12 37	
do	5904	" do	10 24	
do	5894	" Frederick Porrett, repairing fire apparatus	81 63	
do	5907	" Peter D. Van Syckel, roofing engine houses	85 85	
				$542 23
		JULY.		
July 8th,	5958	To H. A. Miller, fluid, &c., for hose company No. 2	$ 12 09	
do	5959	" H. A. Miller, do for engine company No. 4	12 10	
do	5960	" James McLoughlin, repairs to engine houses	13 63	
do	5961	" James McLoughlin, rep to hook and ladder h. 2	14 58	
22	6028	" John Marshall, work done	58 50	
do	6033	" do	36 00	
do	6030	" A M. C. Smith, repairing hose	186 30	
				$333 20
		AUGUST.		
August 5th	1	To Japhet Jardine, plumbing at engine house No. 5	$ 7 10	
do	2	" R. B. Earle & Co. carpet for Americus Hook and Ladder Co	212 50	
do	3	" S. M. Hoffman, coal	8 75	
do	4	" John B. Haight, hardware	30 07	
do	5	" John Morris, making keys for hose co. No. 4	4 40	
do	6	" Daily Telegraph, job printing	13 17	
do	1	" James McLoughlin, repairs to engine houses	33 65	
do	2	" Thomas McDermott, building a chimney on house of hose co. 3, and labor and materials for same	12 00	
do	3	" Wm. J. Stevens, work done	9 25	
do	4	" Ephriam Pray, carpenters' work and materials furnished in repairing engine house No. 4	9 62	
do	1	" McGuigan & Nugent, work done	75 06	
do	2	" A. A. Rice, painting, ropes, &c	39 75	
August 19,	7	" Samuel Hetherington, gas fitting	36 30	
do	8	" A. B. Reynolds, chimnies, sponges, &c	6 69	
do	9	" Japhet Jardine, plumbing for hose co. No. 3	8 15	
do	10	" John Morris, making keys for hook and ladder co No. 1, and knobs, &c., for same	5 15	
do	11	" Jersey City Gas Light Co, gas for engine house No 5, from April 1 to July 1, 1857	2 48	
do	12	" Jersey City Gas Light Co., gas for hose company No. 3, from April 1st to July 1st, 1857	3 18	
do	13	" Jersey City Gas Light Co, gas for Americus H. and L. co., Erie st., from June 4th to July 1st, 1857	1 53	
do	14	" Jersey City Gas Light Co., gas for H. and L. co. cor Grand & V. Vorst sts. from Apr. 1 to July 1 1857	5 63	
do	5	" E. D. Reilly, glazing done in house of hook and ladder company No. 1	2 00	
do	6	" E. D. Reilly, painting inside of hose company No. 1	16 55	
do	7	" Patrick Coyle, chimney braces on engine houses	6 50	
				$549 4[illegible]

		SEPTEMBER.		
Sept. 2d,	3	To F Porrett, work done and materials furnished for fire engines and apparatus	$166 39	
" 16th,	15	" John J. Bloomfield, stationery for Fire Commissioners	80 00	
do	16	" Wm. D. Stivers, stationery for engine co. No. 4	3 17	
				$249 56
		OCTOBER.		
Oct. 7th,	4	To Hoover & Near, repairing lamps and lanterns	$ 22 00	
do	5	" Japhet Jardine, cleaning engine No. 3	5 00	
do	8	" Thomas Howe, painting done at hook and ladder house No. 1	9 00	
do	9	" T. Howe, painting done at hook and ladder h. No. 2	15 58	
do	10	" James McLaughlin, work done for department	6 81	
do	17	" R. B. Earle & Co., carpet and other furniture for hose company No 1	71 95	
do	18	" F. P. Budden, quarters allowance as clerk of Fire Commissioners	25 00	
do	19	" Japhet Jardine, plumbing done at engine house No. 2	6 00	
Oct. 21st,	20	" Joseph Young, stationery	1 34	
do	21	" do.....do....for Fire Commissioners.	7 48	
do	6	" Charles Lingman, 500 feet of Greenoble Hose, &c.	247 50	
do	7	" Frederick Porret, repairing engines and apparatus.	119 22	
do	8	" Clarkson Wilson, painting apparatus of hook and ladder co. No. 1, and hose co. No. 1	60 00	
do	9	" Wm. Weir, repairing engine No. 3	30 00	
do	10	" Pine & Hartshorn, repairing tender of engine No. 3.	25 00	
				$651 89
		NOVEMBER.		
Nov. 4th,	22	To A. B. Reynolds, goods furnished	$ 25 14	
do	23	" Hoover & Near, repairing lamps and lanterns	15 00	
do	24	" W. D. Stivers, stationery	5 27	
do	25	" Woolsey & Woolsey, ropes, &c	42 38	
do	11	" John Marshall, repairing fire engine houses and apparatuses	31 75	
do	11	" John Morris.....do.....do	7 03	
do	12	" James McLaughlin, repairing fire engine houses	24 82	
				$151 39
		DECEMBER.		
Dec. 2nd,	13	To McGuigan & Nugent, repairs to engine houses, and lanterns for same	$ 19 25	
do	12	" Woolsey & Woolsey, goods for Fire Department	18 11	
Dec. 16th,	26	" F. P. Budden, quarters salary as Clerk of Fire Commissioners	25 00	
do	27	" McGuigan & Nugent, stoves and repairs	43 64	
do	28	" Jersey City Ins. Co., premium on policy of insurance on hook and ladder house No. 2	7 50	
				$113 50
		JANUARY.		
Jan'y 6th,	14	To Thomas Howe, painting done at hook and ladder house No. 2	$ 7 75	
do	15	" Thomas Howe, glazing done at engine house No. 5.	2 00	
do	29	" Jersey City Gas Light Co., gas for hose co. No. 3, from July 1st to Oct. 1st, 1857	3 98	
do	30	" Jersey City G. L. Co., gas for Americus hook and ladder co. from July 1st to Oct. 1st, 1857	4 28	
do	31	" Jersey City G. L. Co., gas for engine company No. 5, as above	2 48	
do	32	" Jersey City G. L. Co., gas for engine house in Essex st. as above	3 08	
do	33	" Jersey City G. L. Co., gas for hook and ladder house No. 1 as above	7 28	
do	34	" Joseph Young, stationery	14 50	
do	35	" J. B. Cleveland, brooms, oil, &c	24 73	
do	36	" Matthias Carroll, damage and loss of line, &c., by S. A. French, chief engineer	10 00	
do	37	" Thomas Howe, painting and glazing	17 69	
do	38	" J. Manning & Co., setting gas meter, &c., in hook and ladder house No. 2	23 95	
Jan'y 20th,	13	" Clarkson Wilson, painting	31 75	
do	14	" Joseph Barron, carpenters' work....5	5 25	
do	39	" Board of Trustees of Fire D. fund, donation to the Treasurer of the fund	100 00	
do	40	" Stephen Quaife, plans and specifications for engine house for company No. 1	20 00	
do	41	" Stephen Quaife, plans and specifications for house for hose company No. 4	20 00	
do	42	" W. R. & J. B. Drayton, oil, soap, &c	65 93	
do	43	" F. Anness, work and materials	37 70	
do	44	" Daily Courier and Advertiser, job printing for Fire Commissioners	22 00	
do	45	" Joseph Young, stationery	11 56	
do	16	" James McLaughlin, work done	1 00	
				$436 19

		FEBRUARY.		
Feb'y 3rd,	15	To James G. Williams, slushing hose	$ 49 00	
do	16	" Joseph Shipley, repairs	57 66	
do	46	" W. W. Lee, oil, wick, &c	5 25	
do	47	" J. B. Cleveland, oil, soap, &c	8 60	
do	49	" W. D. Stivers, stationery for Fire Commissioners	2 92	
do	48	" R. B. Earle & Co., repairing chairs, &c	3 70	
do	50	" Isaac Wakefield, Articles for Engine House No. 5.	3 00	
do	51	" B. Beyon, making lamps, &c	7 13	
Feb'y 17th,	17	" J. B. Haight, hardware	5 75	
do	52	" B. F. Woolsey, sundries for F. D	114 18	
do	53	" R. & J. McLaughlin, grate heater, &c., for hook and ladder house No. 1	14 75	
				$271 94
		MARCH.		
March 3rd,	54	To Hoffman & Wood, wood for Fire Department	$ 39 0	
do	55	" F. P. Budden, quarters salary as Clerk of Fire Commissioners	25 00	
do	56	" John H. Smyth, oil, soap, brooms, &c	21 35	
do	57	" John Pringle, plumbing	46 82	
do	58	" Frederick Boyes, amount paid watchman for watching yard, fence having been taken away by removing engine house No. 1	18 00	
March 17,	59	" Joseph Young, stationery for Fire Commissioners	1 40	
do	60	" do.....do.....Hose Co. No. 4	1 25	
				$153 62
		APRIL.		
April 7th,	17	To Frederick Porrett, repairing fire apparatus	$ 89 49	
do	18	" Hoover & King, lanterns	9 00	
do	19	" R. A. Randall, straps, &c	17 95	
do	61	" C. Van Buskirk's Express, carting hose	41 50	
do	62	" C. Hetherington, gas fitting	8 00	
do	63	" Thos Royle, flagging and rep. around engine houses	188 39	
do	18	" H. McComb, carpenters' work	4 94	
do	19	" John McGurgan, repairs	23 55	
do	20	" James McLaughlin do	7 62	
do	21	" Peter Hall, mason work at engine house No 3	29 45	
do	22	" do..... ...do.....hook and ladder No. 2.	3 59	
do	23	" James McLaughlin, rebuilding house for use of engine co. No. 3	301 74	
April 21st,	24	" Thomas Howe, painting done at engine house No. 3	72 82	
do	64	" I. B. Culver, one iron safe	200 00	
do	65	" R. B. Earle & Co., goods for engine house No. 3	176 74	
do	66	" do.....do.....do	24 40	
do	67	" Frederick Boyes, wood and coal	11 38	
April 27th,	26	" P. D. Van Syckle & Co., painting and repairing engine house No. 3	10 53	
do	20	" John H. Syckles, repairing hose and fire apparatus	136 50	
do	68	" F. P. Budden, quarters salary as clerk of Fire Commissioners	25 00	
do	69	" W. D. Stivers, stationery for Fire Department	2 50	
do	70	" W. L. Ormsby, 50 fireman's certificates	7 75	
do	71	" G. Cooper, fire wardens' badges	12 00	
do	72	" W. D. Stivers, exempt roll book for Fire Commissioners	19 00	
do	73	" R. B. Kashow, stationery for hose co. No. 4	3 06	
do	74	" Japhet Jardine, plumbing done at engine h. No. 3.	61 35	
April 21st,	25	" T. Howe, painting done at engine house No. 5	65 39	
				$1553 67
30th,		" Amount coal furnished by Alms House for Fire Department		$5772 78 135 82
		Total		$5908 60

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Statement of Expenditures on account of Erection of House for Hose Company No. 4, situate on Bright Street.

Charles Keenan, amount of claim assigned to him of Geo. W. Dempsey for furnishing and driving spiles on lot for above house	$120 00	
Smith Mead, first payment on his contract for doing mason work	200 00	
Smith Mead, second payment as above	200 00	
Smith Mead, balance due as above	200 00	
J. B. & D. E. Culver, laying out and giving grades of lot	6 00	
Stephen Quaife, making copy of plans and specifications	7 50	
H. McComb, carpenter's work	54 98	
Samuel J. Boyce, superintending erection of	105 00	
H. McComb, carpenter's work	54 98	
Henry Wild, first payment on his contract for doing carpenter's work	40 41	
Henry Wild, second payment as above	178 00	
Henry Wild, extra carpenter's work	36 49	
A. Love, filling in of lot	57 60	
Smith Mead, mason work	51 91	
A. Love, filling in of lot	60 00	
		$1495 89

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Statement of Assessments remaining uncollected where Improvement Certificates issued upon tae same have been redeemed.

Barrow street, from Newark avenue to Canal st.	$ 455 24	
Hudson street, regultating	1409 59	
Newark avenue, from Grove to Monmouth sts.	599 33	
Grand st., from Grove to Jersey sts.	210 78	
Bright st., from Grove to Barrow sts	393 08	
Washington, Wayne, and Greene sts.	56 12	
Washington st., from Steuben to Morgan sts.	155 13	
Warren street, from Montgomery to Morgan streets	894 69	
Grand street, from Henderson to Grove streets	892 13	
Montgomery street, from Grove to Barrorw streets	178 32	
South 7th street, from Grove to Jersey avenue.	72 39	
Railroad avenue, from Newark av. to Prospect street	85 83	
Morgan street, from Warren to Prospect sts.	343 72	
Morgan street, from Grove to Greene sts	80 73	
Warren street, from Newark avenue to Morgan st.	227 47	
Prospect street, from Newark avenue to Bay street	78 82	
South 5th street, from Erie street to 200 feet west of Prospect st.	37 52	
Railroad avenue, from Jersey avenue to Brunswick st.	218 37	
Grand street, from Van Vorst to Grove	560 13	
South 8th, street from Grove street, to Newark avenue	33 87	
Hudson street, from Wayne to Mercer sts.	449 81	
Sunken Lots Railroad ave., Prospect and Morgan sts., &c.	449 81	
South 3d street, from Jersey ave. to Prospect st.	287 01	
Grand street, from Jersey street to Mill Creek	16766 24	
South 7th street, from Jersey to Newark avenues	454 23	
Jersey street, from Mercer to Grand streets	90 02	
South 3d street, from Jersey ave. to Monmouth st.	94 23	
		$25664 41

Of the above amount expended by the City in anticipation of the collection of Assessments, the sum or fourteen thousand one hundred and fifty dollars was borrowed on City and Improvement Bonds. And the balance, eleven thousand five hundred and fourteen dollars and forty one cents, was paid out of the City Treasury on monies raised by general tax.

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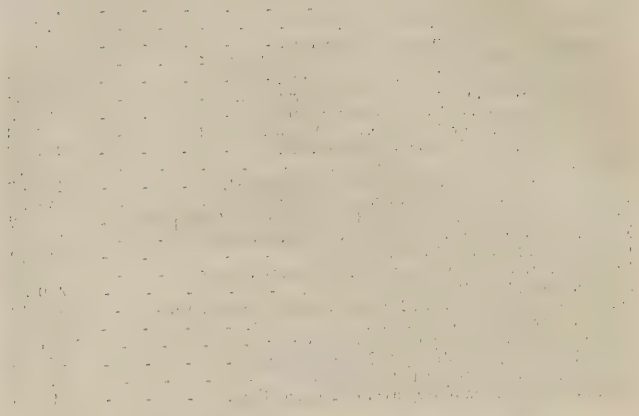
Statement of Assessments uncollected remaining in the hands of Collector of Assessments.

Title of Assessments.	Amount of Assessment	Total.
South 6th street, from Prospect street to Newark avenue	$5482 44	
" " Monmouth to Brunswick streets	1875 64	
Coles street, from South 5th street, to Newark avenue	1935 33	
Grand street, "reassessment" from Jersey street to Mill Creek	16807 95	
		$26101 36

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Statement of Monies paid Water Commissioners on account of Water and City Tax.

	1854.	1855.	1856.	1857.
Amount paid Water Commissioners on account of Surface Tax	$6216 35	$6319 52	$4615 01	$4463 51
Amount paid Water Commissioners on account of monies raised by general Tax		13000 00	5600 00	
	$6216 35	$19319 52	$10216 01	$4463 51
				10215 01
				19319 52
				6216 35
Total Amount paid,				$40214 39



COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular Meeting, at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, June 1st., 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—All the members of the Board.

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 18th, 1858, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Frank J. Quinn for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit, and vegetables. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Patrick Weldon for a license to keep a Junk Shop at No. 339 South 8th street in the Third Ward. Ref. to the Committee on Licenses.

Communication from W H Talcott, owner of lot No. 88 Grand street, Hills map, protesting against the assessment on said lot for the "regulation of Grand street from Jersey street to the Mill Creek," etc. Referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Petition of Isaiah S Hutton to be appointed Chief of Police. Laid upon the table.

Petition of George Farrier and Francis Valade to be appointed Policemen. Referred to the Aldermen of the First Ward.

Petition of David Babington, Thomas Scott, Stephen Sparks, Cornelius Calighan, and Peter Scheel, to be appointed Policemen. Referred to the Aldermen of the Second Ward.

Petition of Benjamin O. Edge and others to have a culvert and receiving basin at the south east corner of Greene and Montgomery streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers, the twelfth day of June instant, at 7½ o'clock, p. m. appointed as the time for a hearing at the City Clerk's office, before the Committee on Sewers, of all parties interested in said application on the merits of the same; and the City Clerk directed to publish for the required length of time notice of the appointment of said time and place for a hearing.

Communication from J. W. Parker, Morrell & Vanderbeek, and Thomas Weldon, asking that their names may be erased from the petition presented May 18th, 1858, for paving, etc., of Mercer street, from Warren to Hudson streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of S A French and others, recommending the appointment of Stephen Jaquins as a Policeman. Referred to the Aldermen of the Second Ward.

Petition of Bryan Gilchrist and others asking that Policeman William N. Strong be dismissed from the Police Department. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Petition of Samuel Wescott and others in favor of the re appointment of William N. Strong, as a Policeman. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Petition of John Lyman for the removal of a nuisance existing on lot 221 South Fourth street. Referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Petition of Joseph Kissam to be appointed "Collector of Arrears of Taxes." Laid upon the table.

Petition of the Hudson River Cement Company in relation to the advertisement for sale for unpaid taxes of Block M., Associates Map &c. Referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Invitation from the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company to the Mayor, Common Council and officers of Jersey City, to attend the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of said company on the 4th inst., at 11 o'clock A. M., at their new Depot, and to participate in their collation in the same place at 2 o'clock, P. M., of the same day. The invitation was accepted.

Official bond of John B. Haight as Collector of Taxes, with George McLaughlin and John Van Vorst as sureties. The bond was approved, and ordered to be filed in the Comptrollers office.

Communication from William Swing and Lawrence] McWiggen, proposing to supply the city with five hundred tons of paving stones. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Communication from T Calcott Simons in relation to sale of his lot, 29 South 2d street in block 178 for taxes. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Memorial of the Board of Education in relation to the present crowded condition of the Public Schools, and recommending the erection of an additional Public School House to be located in the Third Ward. Referred to the Committee on Schools.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of A B Reynolds, $71 40; Samuel Hetherington, $53 93, and $46 87; Henry A Miller, $22 94; Coleman & Dunning, $16; Henry A Miller, $14 70; John A Bunkle, $10: Coleman & Dunning, $6; Henry A Miller, $4 08, $3 75, $2 43, $2 36 and $1 32. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Drayton & Durant, $208 89; Ward and McGowen, $180 84; Mynard Sharp, $88 25; Hugh McFadden, $80; Hugh Reilly, $47 44; Henry Taylor, $44 8; Edward Hope, Jr., $9 50; Henry A Miller, $8 12 and William Dammer, $3 11. Referred to the Committee on Alms.

Of Police Department, $1358 98; Nathaniel Ellis, $32 86; Mynard Sharp, $14 88· J. F. Richardson, $12 50; Mynard Sharp, $10 75 and Levi W Towle, $6 75. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Of Coleman & Dunning, $25, $22, 17, $15, $4, $2, $2 and $1 75. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Of Henry A Miller, $82 80, Hugh Billingsley. $23; J F Richardson, $22, and J F Richardson, $17, Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Of Ephram Pray, $154 71 and $10 66, and Hugh McComb, $19 89. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of John Garrick, $8; John Horn, $8, and Coleman & Dunning, $3. Referred to the committee on salaries, offices and elections.

Of Hector McMullen, $10 93; and Patrick Tarney, $6 25. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Of Matthias Burbank, $11. Referred to the Committee on Public Health.

The claim of Stephen Quaife amountimg to $122 50, presented April 20, 1858 and referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings of the late Common Council, was returned by the Chairman of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings of the late Common Council and referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings of the present Board.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:—

Of Daily Telegraph, $394 25; Alexander M C Smith, $273 50; G Cooper, $215; Kemp & Ward, $195 30: J H Vondy, $51 50; Daily Telegraph, $40 75; Coleman & Dunning, $40 75; A B Reynolds, $39 45; Seth Billington, $34.-86, Peter Hall, $32 42; Jasper Wandle, $31 25, and $31 25 Woolsey & Woolsey, $29 72; P H Nugent, $23 88; Daily Telegraph, $23 50, and $20; Mrs Ann Eaton, $16 50: Thos Gafney, $16; Michael Kane, $11; Samuel Hamilton, $10; James McLaughlin, $10; Bernard McGuigan, $8: Japhet Jardine, $6 22, P H Nugent, $5 25; Japhet Jardine, $3 05; Rea & Pollock, $1 25; and Coleman & Dunning, $1.

The claim of Robert Griglietti amounting to $6; referred to the committee on salaries, offices and elections, May 18th, 1858, was reported correct for $5 50, and that amount ordered paid.

The committee on salaries, offices and elections reported as correct the claim referred to them May 18th, 1858, of S. Sinclair, amounting to $35, for office rent for Collection of Taxes· The report was received, and the claim referred to the committee on finance.

A communication was presented from the Registrar, stating that Lot No 114, Washington street, was erroneously returned by the Board of Water Commissioners amongst the arrearages of water rents of 1856, etc. The communication was received and referred to the committee on finance.

The annual estimate of the Board of Education of the amount of monies which will be required during the present year for school purposes was presented, received, and referred to the committee on schools.

The official bond of Hugh McComb as Collector of Assessments, with Charles Keenan and Henry French as sureties, was presented, received, approved, and ordered to be filed in the Comptroller's office.

The official bonds of John D Nolan, as Street Commissioner, and J V Hardenbergh, as Comptroller, referred to the Corporation Attorney May 18th, 1858, were reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form and approved.

The bonds were approved, and ordered to be filed in the Comptroller's office.

The official bond of Hugh McComb, as Collector of Assess-

ments referred to the Corporation Attorney May 18th, 1858, was reported back by that officer as not approved, the same not being drawn in legal form. The bond was ordered to be returned to Mr McComb.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department announcing the election of Peter Doyle as a member of Engine Company No. 4, and the resignation of Uriah De Hart from Hose Company No 1, and the confirmation of said election and resignation by the "Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department.'

The communications were received, and the action of the Commissioners was approved and confirmed.

The City Clerk presented a report of the names of parties who have failed to qualify for the offices to which they were elected at the charter election on the 13th April, 1858. The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented the following letter received by him from Brigadier General Hatfield, on the 20th and 24th May last.

HOBOKEN, 3 P. M., }
MAY 20th, 1858. }

George W. Cassedy, Esq., City Clerk, Dear Sir—In consequence of the very inclement afternoon, I have countermanded the parade of the Hudson Brigade, and therefore have to forego the pleasure of a review by the Common Council of your city. I have, however, ordered the parade to take place a fortnight from to-day, at the same hour and place, and shall take an early opportunity to renew the invitation to the Mayor and Council.

Under many obligations for your kind attention, I remain very respectfully yours, &c.,

J. T. HATFIELD, Brig. Gen.

Hoboken, May 24th, 1858.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, Esq., City Clerk—

Dear Sir: Have the kindness to express to the Mayor and Common Council of your city, my regrets at being obliged, in consequence of the very inclement weather, to postpone the parade of last Thursday, and therefore deprived of the pleasure of receiving them at a review of the Brigade. I trust they were put to no inconvenience by reason of the postponement.

I take this opportunity to renew the invitation to review the military on Thursday the 3d June next, at the same hour, and same place designated in a copy of a resolution of the Board, I had the honor to receive through yourself, if the same still continues to meet the approval and convenience of the Board.

With due regard and consideration for the honorable the Mayor and Council, and under many obligations to yourself, I remain very respectfully,

Yours, &c.,

J. T. HATFIELD,

Brig. Gen. Hudson Brigade.

The invitation contained in the letter of May 24th, was accepted. and the City Clerk requested to communicate to General Hatfield the acceptance of his invitation to review the Hudson Brigade.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred May 11th, 1858 the communication of the City Treasurer reporting the payment to him of $93 32, in settlement of the assessment upon property of S. J. Edelstein for filling Morgan street from Warren to Prospect street, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby requested to cancel the sale of part of lots seven and eight Morgan street in block fifty-three assessed to S J Edelstein made to the City Treasurer, February 15, 1855, by the Corporation of Jersey City for the assessment theron for filling Morgan street between Warren and Prospect streets, the owner of said parts of lots having paid into the City Treasury the sum of ninety-three dollars and thirty-two cents, being the amount named in the report of arbitrators to whom the matter of the said assessment was referred for a settlement. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the City charter, a list of property still unredeemed, sold by the Corporation of Jersey City August 4th. 1856 for the assessment of constructing a sewer in Essex street. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolve l, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the City charter a list of property still unredeemed, sold by the corporation of Jersey City August 4th, 1856, for taxes of 1855. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on alms presented a report setting forth that they have caused to be published a notice for proposals for supplying the alms house with groceries, butchers meat and bread, and submitting eight sealed proposals received by them in answer to said advertisement, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the eight sealed proposals which have been received by the committee on alms, in answer to their advertisement for proposals for a contract to furnish and deliver at the alms house a quantity of groceries, and to supply the alms department for one year with meat and bread, and which have been reported to the Common Council at this meeting by said committee be opened and read. The report was received and the resolution adopted

The proposals were opened, read and found to be from O T McIntosn, George S Gardner, Ward & McGown and Wm R & J B Drayton, to furnish a supply of groceries; Jacob Erwin and Henry Taylor, to supply meat, Drayton & Durant, to supply bread, Hugh Reilly to furnish a supply of yellow meal.

Alderman Erwin offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proposals which have been received, opened and read at this meeting of the Common Council for a contract to furnish a supply of groceries at the alms house, and to furnish for oue year meat and bread to the alms department, be referred to the committee on alms, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest bidder for each of said contracts, provided said committee deem it to the interest of the city to make said contracts. The resolution was adopted.

The committee on streets to whom was referred May 11th, 1858, the petition of the Heirs of the Estate of J B Coles and others, for permission to do their own work in the regulating, paving, curbing, guttering and laying cross walks, etc., in Grove street, between North 3d street and the Mill Creek, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer of the Heirs of J. B. Coles, Benjamin O. Edge, Patrick Halligan, and Patrick Kelly, contained in their petition presented to the Common Council, May 11, 1858, in which said petitioners represent themselves to be the owners of all the lands liable to be assessed for the regulating, paving, curbing, guttering, laying cross-walks, at the intersections, and flagging Grove-street, between the centre line of North Third street and Mill Creek, and ask to be allowed to do their own work on the said improvement, be granted, provided that the said work be done under the direction of, and to the acceptance of the Committee on Streets, and under the superintendance of the Street Commissioner, and provided that all the expense of the said improvement be paid by said petitioners, and that the whole work be completed on or before the 1st day of August, eighteen hundred a fifty eight.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets presented a report setting forth that they had caused a notice to be published in the Corporation Paper, calling for proposals for a contract to furnish sand and paving-stones for repairing public streets, and submitting two sealed proposals for the contract. The following resolution accompanying the report:

Resolved, That the sealed proposals which have been received by the committee on Streets, and submitted to the Common Council, at this meeting, in answer to the advertisement of said committee, for a contract to furnish and deliver at the corporation yard, eight hundred yards of sand suitable for repairing the public streets, and five hundred tons of water paving stones, to be opened and read.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The proposals were opened, read and found to be from Keeney & Halladay, and Edward D. Reily.

Alderman W R Brown offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proposals and accompanying bonds, which have been received, opened and read at this meeting of the Common Council for the contract to furnish and deliver at the Alms House yard a supply of sand and paving

stones suitable for repairing the public streets and avenues of the city be referred to the committee on streets with authority to contract with the lowest bidder, provided the committee deem it to the interest of the city to enter into such contract. The resolution was adopted.

The committee on streets presented a report setting forth that they have caused a notice to be published in the Corporation paper calling for proposals for a contract to sweep and clean the streets and avenues of Jersey City, and submitting two sealed proposals for the contract and recommending the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved, That the two sealed proposals which have been received by the committee on streets in answer to their advertisement for a contract to sweep and clean for one year the paved streets and avenues in Jersey City, and which have been reported to the Common Council at this meeting by said committee be opened and read. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The proposals were opened, read and found to be from Thomas Blaney and George Tallen, and A. Love.

Alderman W R Brown offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proposals and accompanying bonds which have been received, opened and read at this meeting of the Common Council for the contract to sweep and clean the public sts and avenues of the city for one year be referred to the committee on streets with authority to contract with the lowest bidder provided the said committee deem it to the interest of the city to make such contract. The resolution was adopted.

The committee on police to whom was referred May 18, 1858, the petition of John Cannon to be appointed a Constable for the First ward, presented a report in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioner; the following resolution accompanying the report:

Resolved, That this Common Council do now proceed to the appointment of a constable of the First ward to fill the vacancy occasioned by the failure of Jonathan H Baldwin (who was elected such Constable at the recent Charter election) to qualify.

The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on police to whom was referred May 11th, 1858, the petition of Charles A Woolsey and others, to have George C Clarke appointed a policeman, to be detailed at the Ferry and Railroad Depot, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Common Council do now proceed to appoint by ballot a policeman under the provisions of the supplement approved January 20th, 1857, to the police ordinance; said policeman to be detailed for service at the Ferry and Railroad Depot. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred May 11, 1858, petition of Thomas Clark to keep a junk shop, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Thomas Clark to keep a junk shop at No. 149 Warren street in the Second ward. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen J M Brown, W R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins. McBride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, Ald. Earle, and Hardenbergh.

The committee on Licenses to whom was referred May 18, 1858, the petition of Michael Eagan for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit, and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Michael Eagan, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J M Brown, W R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, Wickware.

Nays—None,

The committee on Licenses to whom was referred, May 11, 1858, the petition of Felix Jordan, for a license to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city, to Felix Jordan, on his praying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Thurston, Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh McBride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—None.

The committee on Licenses to whom was referred, May 11, 1858, the petition of Patrick Geary for a license to keep a junk shop, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Geary to keep a junk shop, at No. 260 Railroad Avenue, in the Third Ward.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, McBride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt, Tilden. Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston and Ald. Hardenberg,

The committe on Licenses to whom was referred, May 11, 1858, the petition of Patrick Maloney for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city to Patrick Maloney on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received—the resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, Ald. J M Brown, W R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins. Hardenbergh, Mc Bride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhees and Wickware.

Nays—None.

The committee on licenses to whom referred May 11th, 1858, the petition of Louis Shunk for a license to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city to Louis Shunk on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relative to such licenses:

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J M Brown, W R Brown, Clarke, Decker. Earle, Erwin, Hankins Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—None.

The committee on Licenses to whom was referred May 31, 1858, the petition of William King, for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license be granted to William King to keep an inn and tavern at the corner of Grand and Jersey streets, in the Third ward of Jersey City known as the "Grand Street House."

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J M Brown, W R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh. McBride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—None.

The committee on ferries and wharves, to whom was referred May 11th, 1858, the petition of Frank Winslow, askiug permission to unload coal at the foot of Barrow street, presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioner. The report was received and adopted.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred May 18, 1858, the petition of W R Brown and Mrs. George R. Orcott for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 13 and 15 Montgomery street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to W R Brown and Mrs George R Orcott to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 13 and 15 Montgomery street, in the Second Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received, and the petition ordered to be returned to the petitioners, so that it may take the course required by resolution of May 18, 1856.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Hankins, received, and laid upon the table, viz:

"An ordinance amendatory of the ordinance entitled "an ordinance to establish, regulate and control a day and night police" in Jersey City, approved September 4th, 1856.

Alderman Van Vorst offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the finance committee be and are hereby authorized to borrow for the purpose of paying off improvement certificates Nos. 141 and 143, now due, and in anticipation of the collection of the assessment for the improvement of Prospect street, from Newark avenue to Pavonia avenue, the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized on the requisition of the Committee on Finance to issue under the corporate seal of the city an improvement bond for the same.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J M Brown, W R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—None.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Erwin and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings are hereby instructed to have the trees in the public parks and streets of the city cleaned and cleared from worms, at an expense not to exceed the sum of two hundred dollars.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the petition of Stephen Garretson, for the refunding to him of monies paid for taxes on property situated on the corner of Erie and South 3d sts, used for religious worship, was taken from the table.

Alderman Tilden offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That all taxes paid by the congregation worshipping in the Third Reformed Dutch church, corner of Erie and Third streets be refunded to them, and that said property be exempt from taxation, so long as it shall remain church property.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Tilden and Erwin:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J M Brown, W R Brown, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Tilden and Wickware

Nays—Aldermen Clarke, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt, Van Vorst and Voorhies

The petition was then referred to a special committee consisting of Aldermen Van Vorst, Wickware and Decker.

On motion of Alderman W R Brown the petition of Abraham Clark and others, presented April 20, 1858 asking to have the north side of Railroad avenue from Warren to Prospect streets filled up, paved, etc., was taken from the table and referred to the committee on streets.

The board then proceeded to the special order of the evening, the appointment of Chief, and Aids to the Chief of Police.

Alderman Wickware and Hardenbergh were appointed and acted as tellers.

For Chief of Police, three ballotings were had which resulted as follows;

First Balloting—
Levi W. Towle received six votes.
Benjamin Haines, Jr., received five votes.
Joseph S. Hencil received one vote.
Joseph Young received one vote.
Isaiah S Hutton received two votes.
One blank was cast.

Second Balloting—
Benjamin Haines Jr., received eight votes.
Levi W Towle received four votes.
Isaiah S Hutton received two votes.
Walter Lamb received one vote.
Joseph Young received one vote.

Third Balloting—
Benjamin Haines Jr., received nine votes.
Levi W. Towle received five votes.
Walter Lamb received one vote.
Joseph S Hencil received one vote.

Whereupon Benjamin Haines Jr., was declared appointed Chief of Police,

For Aids to the Chief of Police, ballotings were had which resulted as follows: one Aid being balloted for at each time.

First Balloting.
Levi W Towle received nine votes.
Abraham Van Ryper received three votes.
John Ayres received two votes.
Isaiah S Hutton received one vote.
Jonathan H Baldwin received one vote.

Whereupon Levi W Towle was declared appointed an Aid to the Chief of Police.

Second Balloting—
John Ayres received eight votes.
Abraham Van Ryper received four votes.
Samuel D Ellis received one vote.
Jonathan H Baldwin received one vote.
William N Strong received one vote.
One blank was cast.

Third Balloting—
John Ayres received nine votes
Abraham Van Ryper received four votes.
William N Strong received two votes
Jonathan H Baldwin received one vote.

Whereupon John Ayres was declared appointed an Aid to the Chief of Police.

Previously to the ballotings for Chief and Aids to the Chief of Police, the Committee on Police returned the petition referred to them, of Joseph S. Hencil and Levi W. Towel, to be appointed Chief of Police, and of John Ayres, Samuel D. Ellis and Wm. N. Strong, to be appointed Aids, and the petitions were laid upon the table.

On motion of Ald Voorhies it was

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended, and that the Board proceed to appoint viva voce a Constable for the First Ward, to fill the existing vacancy.

Whereupon on motion of Ald. Hardenberg, John Cannon was unanimously appointed such constable.

The following resolution, reported at this meeting by the Committee on Police, was on motion of Alderman Hankins, taken from the table and adopted:

Resolved, That the Common Council do now proceed to appoint by ballot, a policeman, under the provisions of the supplement, approved January 20, 1857, to the Police Ordinance, said policeman to be detailed for service at the Ferry and Railroad Depot.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:
George C. Clarke received fifteen votes.
One blank was cast.

Whereupon George C. Clarke was declared appointed such policeman.

On motion of Alderman Hankins, the ordinance presented and laid upon the table, May 18, 1858, entitled "An ordinance fixing Salaries," was taken up for consideration.

The clause of the ordinance in relation to the compensation of the City Clerk was amended on motion of Alderman Voorhies so as to read as follows:

"To the City Clerk the sum of one thousand dollars and the fees, perquisites, and costs of his office." The vote on the motion to amend being as follows, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Tilden and Erwin.

Yeas—President, Thurston, and Aldermen J M Brown, W R Brown. Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, McBride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—Aldermen Hardenbergh and Van Vorst.

The clause as amended was then adopted.

The clause fixing the salary of the Comptroller was amended so as to read "one thousand" dollars, and as amended was adopted.

The clause in relation to the Superintendent of Schools was ordered to be stricken out.

That portion of the ordinance in relation to the corporation and job printing was on motion of Alderman Earle referred to a special committee

Aldermen Earle, Hardenbergh, Van Vorst, and Tilden, were appointed such committee.

The clauses fixing the salary of the Recorder, City Marshal, City Treasurer, City Physicians, Corporation Attorney, and Overseer of the Poor, were adopted without amendment.

Alderman J M Brown moved to amend the ordinance so as to fix the salary of the Street Commissioner at "Six Hundred Dollars"

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Erwin, and W R Brown

Yeas---President Thurston, and Aldermen J M Brown, Clarke Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin and Van Vorst.

Nays---Aldermen W R Brown, Roosevelt, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

The clause in relation to the Street Commissioner as amended was then adopted,

The further consideration of the ordinance was then postponed.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst it was

Resolved, That when the Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday the 8th instant, at 7½ o'clock, P M:

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board then adjourned,

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, June 8, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earl, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt, Tilden, and Van Vorst.

Alderman Voorhies was absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Ald. Wickware

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board proceeded to the consideration of the salary ordinance.

Alderman Hankins moved to amend the ordinance so as to read in reference to the salary of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, as follows:

"To the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hardenbergh, Joseph M. Brown, and the President:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin and Van Vorst.

Nays—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Roosevelt, and Tilden.

Absent—Aldermen Voorhies and Wickware.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved to amend the ordinance so as to make the salary of the Collector of Arrears of Taxes Three hundred and fifty dollars.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Joseph M. Brown and Tilden.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Ald. J. M. Brown, Decker, Hardenbergh, McBride and Van Vorst.

Nays—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, McLaughlin, Roosevelt and Tilden and Voorhies.

Absent—Alderman Wickware.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the clause of the ordinance relating to the Collector of Arrears of Taxes was amended so as to read as follows:

"To the Collector of Arrears of Taxes shall be paid a per centage on the amount collected by him as follows, viz: for the first five thousand dollars collected one and one half per cent; for the excess collected two per cent.

Alderman Erwin moved to fix the salary of the Aids to the Chief of Police, at six hundred dollars each, per annum.

The motion was lost by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Van Vorst and Hankins.

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Earle and Erwin.

Nays—President Thurston, Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Roosevelt, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Absent—Alderman Wickware.

The clause in relation to the Commissioners of Assessments was amended by striking out the words "opening and"—

Alderman J. M. Brown moved to reconsider the vote by which the compensation of the City Clerk was fixed at the meeting of June 1st.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hardenbergh, McBride, and Tilden.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaugulin, and Van Vorst.

Nays—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Erwin, Roosevelt, Tilden, and Voorhies.

Absent—Alderman Wickware.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved to amend the clause relative to the compensation of the City Clerk so as to read as follows:

To the City Clerk, the sum of two thousand dollars, in lieu of all fees, perquisites, and costs whatever; and all fees, perquisites, and costs which are paid to that officer, shall be by him deposited quarterly in the city treasury for the benefit of the city.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hardenbergh, Tilden and J. M. Brown.

Yeas—President Thurston, Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, and Van Vorst.

Nays—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Erwin, Roosevelt, Tilden and Voorhies.

Absent—Alderman Wickware.

The sections as amended were adopted.

The clauses relating to the salaries or compensation of the Superintendent of Ferries, Wharves and Piers, Clerk of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department, Assessors of Taxes, Collector of Taxes, Collector of Assessments, Board of Commissioners for Assessments, Judges of Election, Ward Clerks, Chief of Police, Aids to the Chief of Police, Policemen and City Surveyors, were adopted without amendment.

The ordinance was amended so as to read in reation to lamp lighters as follows:

"To each one of the lamp lighters fifty cents per month for each fluid lamp lighted by him."

On motion of Alderman Tilden the ordinance was laid upon the table.

On motion of Alderman Hankins it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday the 15th inst., at 3 o'clock, P. M.

On motion of Ald. Earle the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, June 15th, 1858 at 3 o'clock, P. M.

In the absence of the President, the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Aldeermen J. M Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen Roosevelt and Van Vorst.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, Alderman Wickware was appointed President, pro-tempore.

The minutes of the regular meeting of June 1st, 1858, and of the adjourned regular meeting of June 8th, 1858, were read and approved.

During the reading of the minutes President Thurston appeared and took his seat.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Stephen Durgin for the removal of the obstructions in Mercer street, between Washington and Hudson sts., &c. Referred to Committes on Streets.

Petition of A. Barricklo and others for the construction of culverts on the corners of Morris and Greene streets. Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Thomas Royle and others for the abatement of a nuisance in Bright street, and for the grading, paving, &c., of said street from Grove to Jersey streets. Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of John Fothergill, owner of lot 62 Steuben street, (Smith's map) to have the adjoining lot on the west side filled up so as to abate the nuisance caused by stagnant water lying on the same. Referred to Committee on Public Health,

Petition of A. Brooks and D. R. Caswell for the removal of

hog pens from South Second street, between Grove and Prospect streets. Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of John Engeler, Jr., for a license to vend meat, fish, fruit, and vegetables. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of William Gummer for a license to keep a junk-shop at 102 Steuben street. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Official bond of James B. Dunn as constable, with Joshua A. French and William Holcomb as securities. Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of John Brogan, $1; and P. H. Nugent, $5 02. Referred to Committee on Police.

Of Auness & Stephenson, $18 54. Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of James Dolan, $11 00. Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Of P. H. Nugent, $3 75. Referred to Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of Wm. H. Horton, $30; and Maynard Sharp, $2 75. Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of John Pringle, $50 25; N. H. Coykendall, $5 48, P. H. Nugent, 93 cents; and W. J. Stevens, $15 38. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of George E. Cutter, $60; George E. Cutter, $391 16; and S. Quaife, $63. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Of George W. Dempsey, $10; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $225 68; P. H. Nugent, $1; and James S. Noyes, $4 50. Referred to Committee on Streets.

Of Mrs. Ann Eaton, $16 50. Referred to Committee on Lamps, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, $125. Referred to Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid:

Of I. B. & D. E. Culver, $37 50; Hugh Billingsley, $23; Henry A. Miller, $82 80; J. F Richardson, $22; J. F. Richardson, $17; John Garrick, $8; John Horn, $8; M. Sharp, $88 25; Hugh Reilly, $47 44; Hugh McFadden, $80; Ward & McGown, $180 84; Henry Taylor, $44 08; William Dammer, $3 11; Hector McMullen, $10 93; Henry A. Miller, $8 12; Drayton & Durant, $208 89; Samuel Hetherington, $46 87; A. B. Reynolds, $71 40; Samuel Hetherington, $53 93; E. Pray, $10 66; Thomas Royle, $73 62; Mynard Sharp, $10 75; Police Department, $1358 93; Levi W. Towle, $6 75; J. F. Richardson, $12 50; Patrick Farney, $6 25; Mynard Sharp, 14 88; Nathaniel Ellis, $32 86; and Coleman & Dunning, $3, $16 and $6.

The claim of Edward Hope, Jr., amounting to $8 50, referred to the Committee on Alms June 1st, 1858, was reported correct for $8 and that amount ordered paid.

The City Clerk pursuant to a resolution of May 18, 1858, presented a list of unredeemed property sold to the City Treasurer more than two years ago for taxes and assessments. The list was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred June 1st, 1858, the petition of Abraham Clark and others to have a portion of Railroad avenue filled up to the established grade, &c., presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission be granted to the owners of property on the north side of Railroad avenue, from Warren to Prospect streets, to fill to the established grade, curb, and set gutter ten feet from the line of the street, flag the sidewalk four feet wide, and pave the road way of said street between the points named, provided that all of the lot owners who would be liable to assessment for said improvement, first agree in writing to do said work at their own expense and within sixty days, but under the direction of the committee on streets who shall be authorized to appoint a Superintendent of the work whose compensation shall be paid by the said lot owners. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred June 1st, 1858, the proposals of A. Love and Thomas Blaney and Geo. Tallen, and the accompanying bonds for the contract to sweep and clean the streets of the city, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the proposals of Alexander Love, and Thomas Blaney and George Tallon, for the contract to sweep and clean the streets of Jersey City for one year be rejected, and that the bonds which accompanied said proposals be returned to the principals named thereon.

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets are hereby authorized and instructed to advertise in both of the Jersey City papers, for proposals for a contract to sweep and clean the public streets and avenues of the city for one year. The report was received.

The first resolution was amended on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh by striking out the words "*be rejected*" and the word "*that*" where it occurs the second time.

The resolutions as amended were then adopted.

The Committee on Police to whom was referred June 1st, 1858, the petition of Bryan Gilchrist and others for the dismissal of William N. Strong from the Police Department, presented a report thereon setting forth that the petition contains no specific charge against the said Wm. N. Strong, &c., and recommending that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted.

The report was received, and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh ordered to be laid upon the table until the Board decide to appoint Policemen.

The committee on police to whom was referred June 1st, 1858, the petition of Samuel Wescott and others in favor of the re-appointment of William N. Strong as a Policeman presented a report thereon recommending that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. The report was received, and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh ordered to be laid upon the table until the Board are about to appoint Policemen.

The committee on alms to whom were referred June 1st, 1858, eight proposals to supply the Alms Department with provisions presented a report thereon, accompanied by contracts and bonds executed by Drayton and Durant, and Jacob Erwin, and also accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the contracts which have been executed by Henry Drayton, and Jonathan J. Durant for furnishing bread for the Alms deparment, by Jacob Erwin for furnishing meat for the same department, and by George S. Gardner for furnishing and delivering at the Alms House a supply of groceries, be executed on the part of the city by his Honor the Mayor and by the City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city; that said contracts with the accompanying bonds be filed in the Comptroller's office and the duplicates of said contracts be delivered to the parties named therein.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred May 18, 1858, the petition of William Gummer for a license to keep a Junk shop, presented a report recommending that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition, the same not being properly drawn.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, reported adversely to the payment of the claim of E. Pray, mounting to $154 71, referred to them June 1st, 1858.

The report was received, and on motion of Alderman Hardenburgh was laid upon the table.

On the motion to lay the report upon the table, the vote was as follows:

The yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Wickware, Hardenburgh, and J. M. Brown.

Yeas—President Thurston, Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Voorhies

Nays—Aldermen W. R. Brown Erwin, Tilden, Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen Roosevelt and Van Vorst.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Wickware and adopted:

Resolved, That a committee to consist of one Alderman from each ward be appointed to confer with Peter Bentley, Esq., and to report to the Common Council at its next meeting, upon what terms the upper rooms of the Buildings known as the Commercial Buildings can be secured for the use of the Common Council and the different offices connected with the City Government except the Recorder's office.

Aldermen Wickware, Hankins, McBride, and Clarke were appointed the committee.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman W. R. Brown and referred to the committee on streets:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to re-

move the pump and fill up the Well corner of Jersey street and Railroad avenue.

Alderman Voorhies moved to take from the table the rules and regulations for the government of the Alms and Work Houses and that the same be referred to the committee on laws and ordinances with instructions to engraft them in an ordinance.

On motion of Alderman J M Brown the motion was laid on the table.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on public health be requested to report upon the character and purity of the Milk sold to the citizens of Jersey City.

On motion of Alderman Erwin it was

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to furnish the members of the Common Council with copies of the manual, containing the proposed rules for the government of the Alms and Work Houses.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the following entitled ordinance, presented and laid upon the table, May 18th, 1858, was taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance to provide for the construction of sewers in Jersey City.

The ordinance was amended and then laid upon the table again.

On motion of Alderman Wickware the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday June 15th, 1858, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Absent.—Alderman, Roosevelt.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the regular order of business be suspended to enable the Board to consider the Tax and Salary Ordinances.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the following entitled ordinance presented at the regular meeting held May 18th, 1858, was taken up for consideration, viz:

"An Ordinance for the assessment and collection of an annual tax for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-eight."

The ordinance was amended,

On an amendment to the ordinance moved by Alderman Voorhies, to insert a new section, viz: "For the improvement of Washington Square, twenty-five hundred dollars," the yeas and nays were ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, J. M. Brown, and Earle, and resulted as follows:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, McBride, and Voorhies

Nays—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Erwin, Hankins, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, and Wickware.

Absent—Alderman Roosevelt.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies the Tax Ordinance was laid upon the table.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies the salary ordinance was then taken up for consideration.

The special committee to whom was referred June 1st, 1858, the clause of the ordinance relative to the corporation printing presented a report recommending an amendment to that portion of the ordinance. The report was received, adopted, and the ordinance amended in conformity with the recommendation contained in the report.

The title of the ordinance was amended so as to read as follows: "An ordinance fixing salaries for 1858 and 1859."

The ordinance as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Alderman J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Roosevelt.

The official bonds of John Cannon as Constable, and Benjamin Haines as Chief of Police were presented, received, and referred to the Corporation Attorney.

A petition of Robert C. Bacot and others to have Morgan street, from the west side of Prospect street to the east side of Grove street regulated, paved, &c., was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Streets,

A communication of John G. McLaughlin relative to sale of lot 25 in block 107 for taxes of 1857 was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Claims of John McGuigan, $4 49, and L. R. Bailey, $9 3, were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

A claim of George S. Gardner, amounting to $249 39, was presented. received and referred to the Committee on Alms

Eight claims referred to the Committee on Finance June 1st, 1858, of Coleman and Dunning for the following named amounts were reported correct and ordered paid, viz: For $15, $22, $17, $25, $1 75, $4, $2 and $2.

On motion of Alderman Wickware the tax ordinance was again taken up for consideration. The ordinance was amended.

On the motion to adopt an amendment to fill in the first blank in the ordinance with the words "ninety-five thousand" and the blank in the 28th section with the words "ninety-five thousand dollars," as the amount of taxes to be raised, exclusive of the poll tax, the yeas and nays were ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Wickware, Hardenbergh and Earle, and were as follows:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—Aldermen Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh. McBride and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen Roosevelt.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies the City Clerk was directed to renumber the sections.

The ordinance entitled "an ordinance for the assessment and collection of an annual tax for the year eighteen hundred and fifty eight" as amended was then passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays---Aldermen Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh and Van Vorst.

Absent---Alderman Roosevelt.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Earle and adopted.

Resolued, That notices and schedules of sales for taxes, water rents and assessments, and for the redemption of lands sold for taxes, water rents and assessments, be published also in the *Courier and Advertiser*, and that fifteen cents be paid for each parcel of land advertised for the space of sixty days, agreeably to charter; and that the cost of advertising in both papers be charged on the parcels of land so advertised.

Resolved, That all notices or advertisements directed to be published by the Common Council or any Committee thereof, (except tax and assessment lists, and redemption lists) be also, unless otherwise ordered, published in the *Courier and Advertiser*, and paid for as follows, viz.: Two cents per line for first insertion; one cent per line for each subsequent insertion; and pamphlet work when required, at 45 cents per 1000 ems, for plain composition; and one-half more for rule and figure composition; and 45 cents per token for press work.

The Special Committee to whom was referred June 1st, 1858, the petition of S. Garretson to have refunded to him monies paid for taxes on property belonging to him, situated on the corner of Erie and South 3d streets, presented an adverse report thereon.

The report was received and laid upon the table.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred June 1st, 1858, the claim of S Sinclair for $35 for office rent, paid by him as Collector of Taxes, presented a report adverse to the payment of said claim. The report was received.

Alderman McLaughlin moved "That the report be adopted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenburgh, Hankins and Earle.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle, Erwin. Hankins, Hardenburgh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, and Van Vorst.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Voorhies and Wickware.

Absent—Alderman Roosevelt.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted:

Resolved, That the finance committee be instructed and authorized to have prepared suitable Books for the use of the Assessors.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Hankins and laid upon the table, viz:

"An ordinance amendatory of the ordinance entitled "an ordinance to establish, regulate, and control a day and night police "in Jersey City."

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted:

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Assessments be and are hereby directed to leave at the office of the City Comptroller all copies of assessment maps ordered upon the confirmation of an assessment for the Collector of Assessments.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted.

Resolved, That the Collector of Assessments be and is hereby directed to file in the office of the City Comptroller all copies of assessment maps received by him, at the same time as when a final return is made by him to the Comptroller of unpaid assessments.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Van Vorst and adopted:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and is hereby directed to file in the office of the City Comptroller the tax books of the fiscal year 1857, filed in the office of the City Clerk by the Collector of Taxes and Collector of Arrears of Taxes respectively.

Alderman Hardenbergh presented the following entitled ordinance and the same was laid upon the table, viz:

"An ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled an ordinance establishing a Board of Education, passed November 25th, 1851, approved December 12, 1851."

On motion of Alderman Tilden the ordinance presented May 18th, 1854, entitled "An ordinance to provide for the construction of Sewers in Jersey City," was taken up for consideration.

Section 2, as amended, on the motion of Alderman Hardenbergh by inserting "eleven" in the place of "nine" as the number of concurring votes required for the passage of a resolution deciding that the sewer or drain applied for ought to be built, was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen J. M. Brown, Erwin and Van Vorst.

Yeas- Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Van Vorst, and Voorhies.

Absent—Alderman Roosevelt.

Section 1 was adopted without amendment.

A new section was presented by Alderman Tilden, numbered section 3 and adopted.

Section 3 of the ordinance as presented was renumbered so as to read section 4, and was then adopted.

The ordinance as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hankins, Hardenbergh, and Van Vorst.

Absent—Alderman Roosevelt.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Decker and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended, and that Joseph H. Rommel be viva-voce appointed Superintendent of Ferries, Wharves and Piers.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the President of the Common Council be requested to confer with the Board of Water Commissioners upon that part of the message of his Honor Mayor Gregory, relative to the return by ——— Water Bonds of the amount of $40,000, advanced by the city to the Water Commissioners in previous years for the purpose of meeting deficiencies.

Alderman Tilden offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of one from each ward be appointed by the Chair to report a programme for the proper celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence, and to invite a suitable person to deliver an oration, if they deem it expedient.

The resolution was adopted, and Aldermen Tilden, Hankins, W. R. Brown and Decker were appointed the Committee.

On motion of Alderman Erwin it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday, July 6th, 1858, at 3 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, July 6th, 1858, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Van Vorst, and Voorhies.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hankins, Roosevelt, Tilden and Wickware.

The minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of June 15, 1858, at 3 o'clock P. M., and of the regular meeting of June 15, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M., were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Communication from Richard Hawkins complaining of a nuisance in Morris street, etc. Referred to the committee on public health.

Petition of Thomas Casey to have the sale of his lot for taxes of 1855 cancelled, etc. Referred to the committee on finance.

Petition of James McLaughlin and others to have nuisance abated in Greene street between Grand and York streets, caused by a garbage box, etc. Referred to the committee on public health.

Petition of Rebecca Isbills to have the sale of her lots for taxes of 1857 cancelled, etc. Referred to the committee on finance.

Petition of W. L. Broking and others to have sewer now building in Newark avenue extended to Brunswick street, etc. Referred to the committee on sewers.

Remonstrance of William Chilver and others against proposed assessment for constructing sewer in Essex, Van Vorst and Grand streets, etc. Referred to the committee on laws and ordinances.

Petition of Horatio N. Edge to have the sale of his property for taxes of 1855, cancelled, etc. Referred to the commit tee on finance.

Petition of Alexander Love to be instructed in relation to his powers and duties under his contract to clean the streets, etc. Referred to the committee on streets.

Petition of W. L. Broking and others for the construction of a main sewer in South Ninth street to connect with the sewer in Newark avenue and extend to the Hudson river, etc. Referred to the committee on sewers.

Petition of Ira Smith to be appointed a Day Policeman. Referred to the Aldermen of the Fourth ward.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Drayton & Durant, $118 82; Jacob Erwin, $92 67, and $90; Samuel D. Ellis, $80; Hugh Reilly, $25 56, and Charles N. Betts, $7 88. Referred to the committee on alms.

Of Andrew Clerk, $100; John Van Vorst, $100; William Keeney, $100, and A. Love, $33 87. Referred to the committee on streets.

Of Keeney & Halladay, $1660 58, $633 20, and $92; and I. B. & D. E. Culver, $90 75. Referred to the special committee on Van Vorst Square and committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Hugh Billingsley, $23; J. F. Richardson, $23, and $22. Referred to the committee on lamps.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, $41 45, and W. W. Ree, $29 40. Referred to the committee on police.

Of Henry Wild, $87 72, and H. McComb, $115 72. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of A. Love, $6. Referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Of Daily Telegraph, $150. Referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of Daily Telegraph, $46 18. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following claims and accounts were presented received, referred to the Committee on Streets, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Michael McGuire, $42 50; Patrick Garvey, $43 31; Hector McMullen, $25 31, Patrick Tarney, $25 31; Wm. Ryan, $22; Edward Murta, $19 50; John Nicholson, $19 25; Hugh McLaughlin, $14; and John Garvey, $13 75.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of George E. Cutter, $391 16, and $60; John Pringle, $50 25; Henry A. Miller, $22 94, and $14 70; W. J. Stevens, $12 38; J. A. Bunkle, $10; George W. Dempsey, $10; L. R. Bailey, $9 03; N. H. Coykendall, $5 48; James S. Noyes, $4 50; John McGuigan, $4 49; Henry A. Miller, $4 08, $3 75, $2 43, $2 36, and $1 32; P. H. Nugent, $1, and 93 cents.

The following communication from his Honor the Mayor, was presented, received, and laid upon the table:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, June 25, 1858.

To the Honorable the Common Council of Jersey City:

By the ordinance to "establish and regulate a day police," the force is stated to be thirty-one persons. In addition to these I am called upon to sign warrants on the Treasurer for

the payment of four additional policemen, denominated detective policemen. I cannot find any authority for the payment of these extra men, and until I am authorized by you to sign the warrants I must withhold my signature.

Respectfully submitted,

D. S. GREGORY.

The City Treasurer's report for June, 1858, showing a balance in the Treasury on the 1st July, instant, amounting to $26,570 90 was presented, received, and ordered filed.

A communication from the Comptroller in relation to the settlement made with Garet E. Winants, in February last, awarding to him the sum of seven thousand four hundred and forty three dollars and sixteen cents, in settlement of the assessment for regulation of Steuben street, from Washington to Prospect streets, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A communication from the Comptroller stating that he has been notified of the expiration of Improvement Certificate No. 117, &c., was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance

A communication from the Comptroller stating that he has examined and finds to be correct the City Treasurer's accounts for March, April and May last, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The resignation of John W. Parker as a member of the Board of Education, was presented, received and laid upon the table.

A communication from George E. Cutter, Collector of Arrears of Taxes, stating that he erroneously included in his return of unpaid taxes, those upon John Miller's lot, No. 211 Newark avenue, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The official bonds of James B. Dunn as Constable, and Benjamin Haines, junior, as Chief of Police, referred to the Corporation Attorney June 15th, 1858, were reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form. The bonds were approved and ordered filed in the Comptroller's office.

The official bond of John Cannon as Constable, referred to the Corporation Attorney June 15, 1 58, was reported back by that officer as being imperfectly executed. The bond was ordered to be returned to John Cannon.

A communication from the Corporation Attorney enclosing a writ of certiorari and notice in relation to the South 5th street sewer, was presented, received, and the City Clerk directed to make the necessary return to the certiorari.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of the following entitled Corporation Notice, viz:

"Application to have a culvert and receiving basin, constructed on the south-east corner of Greene and Montgomery streets.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on laws and ordinances to whom was referred June 1st, 1858, the petition of William H. Talcott protesting against the assessment on his property for the filling in of Grand street, presented a report setting forth that they cannot recommend any deduction, etc. The report was received and adopted.

The committee on laws and ordinances to whom was referred April 6, 1858, the communication of C. F Durant in relation to his lots on the north west corner of Warren street and Newark avenue, presented an adverse report, which was received and adopted.

The committee on streets who were by resolution passed June 15, 1858, instructed to advertise for proposals for a contract to sweep and clean the streets of Jersey City for one year, presented a report thereon submitting three sealed proposals and accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the three sealed proposals which have been received by the committee on streets in answer to their advertisement for a contract to sweep and clean for one year the paved streets and avenues in Jersey City and which have been reported to the Common Council at this meeting by said committee be opened and read. The report was received and the resolution adopted

The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from Alexander Love, George Tallon, and Thomas Quinby and Patrick Kilroy.

Alderman W. R. Brown offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the three proposals and accompanying bonds which have been received, opened, and read at this meeting of the Common Council for the contract to sweep and clean the public streets and avenues of the city for one year, be referred to the committee on streets with authority to contract with the lowest bidder provided the said committee deem it to the interest of the city to make such contract. The resolution was adopted.

The committee on streets who have under consideration the petition referred to them June 15, 1858, of Robert C. Bacot and others to have Morgan street from the west side of Prospect street to the east side of Grove street, regulated, paved, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved. That Friday July 30th, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P.M. be appointed as the time when the committee on streets will meet at the City Clerk's office, to hear parties interested in the petion of Robert C. Bacot and others, presented to the Common Council June 15th, 1858, to have Morgan street from the west side of Prospect street to the east side of Grove street regulated, paved, &c., and that the City Clerk is hereby requested to publish in the Jersey City papers for the length of time required by the City Charter, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place, for a hearing before the committee on streets. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred May 11, 1858, the petition of James King for a license to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city, to James King on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on license to whom was referred June 1st, 1858, the petition of Frank J Quinn for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit, and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit, and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city to Frank J. Quinn on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred June 15th, 1858, the petition of John Engler, jr., for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report theron, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the Corporate Seal of the City, to John Engler, jr., on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred June 15, 1858, the petition of William Gummer, for a license to keep a Junk Shop, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved. That a license be granted to William Gummer to keep a Junk Shop, at No. 102 Steuben street, in the Second Ward.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, McBride, McLaughlin, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Alderman Hardenbergh.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hankins Roosevelt, Tilden and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred May 18th, 1858, the petition of Owen Donohue for a license to keep a Junk Shop, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Owen Donohue to keep a Junk Shop, in the First Ward, on the east side of Washington street, between South and Bergen streets.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, McBride, McLaughlin, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Alderman Hardenbergh.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hankins, Roosevelt, and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred July 2d,

1853, the petition of W. R. Brown and Mrs. Orcutt, for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to William R. Brown and Mrs. George R. Orcutt, to keep an Inn and Tavern, at Nos. 13 and 15 Montgomery street, in the Second Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hankins, Roosevelt, Tilden and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred, June 8th, 1853, the petition of Michael Doyle, for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Michael Doyle to keep an inn and tavern at No. 45 York street, in the First ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Earle and Van Vorst.

Absent— Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hankins, Roosevelt, Tilden and Wickware.

The committee on finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Jersey City papers for the length of time required by the city charter a list of the property still unredeemed, which was sold by the Corporation of Jersey City on the 4th September, 1856, for unpaid assessments. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby requested to issue under the corporate seal of the city declarations of sale to purchasers at the tax sale of June 7th, 1858.

The report was received and the resolution adopted:

The committee on schools to whom were referred June 1st 1858, the annual estimate of the Board of Education for the year 1858, and the memorial of the Board of Education in relation to building a new School House in the Third ward presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the joint committees on schools and public grounds and buildings be instructed to report at the next regular meeting of the Common Council a plan or plans for the erection of a School House in the 3d ward, on lots now owned by the city in Bright street, said building to be erected at an expense not to exceed the sum of twelve thousand dollars. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Board then proceeded to the appointment of Policemen.

Aldermen Hardenbergh and McLaughlin were appointed and acted as tellers, and ballotings were had which resulted in the appointment of the following named persons:

First Ward—Jonathan H. Baldwin, Francis Valade, Cornelius Fisher, Thomas Callahan, Patrick Hurley, Chancellor W. Chase, and Joseph Carroll

Second Ward—Michael Kilcaulay, Thomas S. Robbins, John W Murphy, William N. Strong, and Peter Scheel.

Third Ward—James Moulds, Michael McLaughlin, Daniel McNamara, Robert Duffy, and Jarvis L. Ayres.

Fourth Ward—Paul Townsend, Robbins Holloway, and Abraham Van Riper.

Second Ward—The rule requiring ballotings was suspended and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh Martin Ward and John O'Donnell were viva voce appointed Policemen from the Second ward—ten Aldermen voting in favor of their appointment, and one in the negative.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant for sixty-four dollars and thirteen cents, be drawn in favor of the Hudson County Bank, in payment for check same amount erroneously drawn by A. T. Smith, City Treasurer, May 17, 1855, such check having been signed by said A. T. Smith, as Cashier, instead of City Treasurer.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies the Board then adjourned

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, July 6th, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Petition of Joseph B. Conkling for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Cornelius Callaghan and T. L. Blackmore, for permission to do their own work in front of their property in the paving, curbing, &c., of Railroad avenue, between Prospect and Warren streets, &c. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Of Daily Telegraph, $116 75; William B. Dunning, $108; Daily Telegraph, $91 36, and $36; William B. Dunning, $16, and $1 75. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Of W. J. Hough, $37 85; Michael Mullene, $18 53, and Charles Van Brunt, $2. Referred to the Committee on Alms.

Of Police Department, $1291 24, and William B. Dunning, $5. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Of Thomas Royle, $58, and Charles Van Brunt, $2. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of William B. Dunning, $6 56, and Thomas Royle, $15 98. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Of William B. Dunning, $3. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Michael Mullone, $50. Referred to the Special Committee on Fourth of July Programme.

A claim of J. M. Sunderling amounting to $50, was presented, referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Kenney & Halliday $633 20; George S. Gardner, $249 39; Stephen Quaife, $122 50; Drayton & Durant, $118 82; Jacob Erwin, $92 67, and $90; William H. Horten, $30; Hugh Reilly, $25 56; Hugh McComb, $19 89; Anness & Stephenson, $15 54; Charles N. Betts, $7 88; P. H. Nugent, $5 02, and $3 75; and Mynard Sharp, $2 75.

The Committee on Police to whom was referred June 15, 1858, the claim of John Brogan, for carting drunken man, May 20th, 1858, from Brunswick street to Station House, &c., amounting to $1, presented a report adverse to the payment of said bill. Report received and adopted.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office, on the 26th June last, and the same was read, received, ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council and laid upon the table:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Jersey City, June 25, 1858.

To the Honorable the Common Council of Jersey City.

Gentlemen—It is with reluctance that I return to you for your reconsideration, "an ordinance for the assessment and collection of an annual tax for the year 1 53," because it is with diffidence I interpose my own judgment against the apparent deliberate consideration of a majority of sixteen Aldermen who have passed this ordinance.

My objection to the ordinance arises, not so much to the various items contained therein, as to the amount to be raised, and the manner of raising it. The depression of the times making at this crisis, the burden of heavy taxes upon the people, one of grievious complaint.

Besides the annual general tax on the property in Jersey City, there are works in progress at this time demanding special assessment of a large amount; and there are sales advertised for arrearages bearing interest and other extra charges —or redemptions about expiring with increased cost, calling for so much money from the people at a time when every branch of industry is so much depressed, that we are called upon to exercise great forbearance in the tax levy for the ensuing year. You have just closed the sale for arrears of taxes for 1857. Since the 20th December last the unpaid taxes of 1857 had to bear interest at the rate of 12 per cent per annum, and after sale and until redeemed the rate of interest is 15 per cent per annum on the amount of taxes with the accumulated interest and charges of sale. It is a significant fact of the inability of tax payers to meet these taxes promptly, that the sum of *thirty-nine thousand dollars*, bearing this heavy interest (or about two-fifths of the whole amount of taxes of that year,) remained to be collected by the Collector of arrears of taxes, or by sale, leaving a large sum for poll and other taxes which will not be collected, and which will be a loss. This loss, the Comptroller estimates to be about $4000.

The current years ordinance calls for an excess over last years amount, which was considered quite large, and it is to laid on property which cannot have increased in value for the last twelve months. Probably the Assessors return will show a diminution of aggregate values.

For these considerations, it is desirable (in my judgment,) that you reduce the tax levy placed by you in this ordinance at $95,000, and which does not include the poll tax belonging to the Public Schools, nor the County tax, nor the Military, nor the surface water tax. The last however, I have reason to hope, will not be needed this year.

Should you, on reconsideration, find ways and means to reduce the tax ordinance at least *twenty thousand dollars*, it will, I doubt not, be deemed by the tax paying people, a wise step taken by you in a proper direction.

The enquiry arises how this large reduction can be made without embarrassment? I can only answer, that as in every department of private life, the strictest economy has been by necessity called into practice, and the employees of other institutions has been obliged to submit to curtailment of salaries and of numbers to the strictest line of demand, so in governments, the same causes must produce like effects, if discredit and bankruptcy is to be averted.

But happily the monetary condition of our city is in a much better condition than the public suppose it to be. And if we avoid all unnecessary expenses at this time, and postpone improvements not immediately required, we may take advantage of the low price of money, to fund the small floating debt not supported by arrears of taxes or assessments, adding thereto some of the immediate wants of the city, so as to divide the cost more equally on those who are hereafter to enjoy these improvements.

During the last year the provisions made for lighting the streets with gas, called for large tax under that head, and the extension of lamps to the number of 320 now lighted with gas or camphene, demands a much larger annual appropriation than formerly. This tax, with that required for the maintenance of the present police force, makes up the sum of $24,000, or one third of the whole tax (say $75,000) which, in my judgment, should be the maximum of the tax to be raised for city purposes the current year. It is established that a well lighted city is greatly auxiliary to the effectiveness of a Police Department, and it seems to me prudent that you should not yield to the outside pressure for employment, by enlarging the number, and consequently, the expense of that body this year.

I find that there has been expended on the Public Parks during the last two years about $7500, most of which was for the improvement of Hamilton square, and there is a contract now existing for the improvement of Van Vorst square of about $1000. The ordinance now under consideration proposes to raise for the improvement of all the public grounds this year the sum of $6500. Although it may gratify our taste to have these grounds improved, fenced and ornamented, yet these large expenditures are not actually necessary this year, and if they were, why should the whole cost fall upon the present inhabitants, and present values of property if they are permanent improvements? It is doubted by many that it is just to make all of these improvements by a general tax, and who contend that some part of the expense should be assessed on property benefitted.

You propose also to raise $4500 for the Fire Department improvements and repairs of public buildings, and for repairing engines. As the Fire Department is now in excellent condition, and well prepared for any emergency when called out on duty, my belief is that much of this sum may be left out of the taxes this year.

You propose to increase the Alms House appropriation from $5000 to $7500. This, I am aware, is a difficult subject to manage, but experience has satisfied me that unless

the strictest watch is kept over the appropriation for this object, its enlargement will always be required. I have much confidence that a plan which will go into effect this winter, will cut off many unworthy subjects who improvidently rely on charity more than their own efforts for a livelihood, and that the sum of $5000 will be sufficient.

In my annual message my sanction was given to the enlargement of Public School accommodation, and you propose to raise $12,000 this year for the erection of a Public School house in the Third Ward, in addition to the large sum required for the support of the schools in the 2d and 4th wards. As most of this money will not be wanted for some time, and as my own opinion is that the money should be raised by an annual tax in instalments, and not in any one year, for the same reason given as to the permanent improvement of the Parks, you will be able to proceed with the work, notwithstanding youplace but a small installment of the cost in the present years tax list, or leave it out altogether. This view is due, I think to the 1st and 2d wards which not only paid for all the improvements, and paving about the public grounds therein, but erected Public School No *One*, and has paid their share of the taxes for Public School No *Two*, which cost for lots, building and furniture, $26,482, as well as the improvements of the public grounds in the 3d and 4th Wards.

In these several items you will find you ability for cutting off more than twenty thousand dollars from the tax ordinance now returned.

In examining into the necessity of raising $5000 for interesi, which would imply a debt of $70,000 beyond assetts in arrears of taxes and assessments, I have been obliged to ascertain what the real amount of the unsecured debt is.—From an abstract of the Comptroller's report before you, of the financial condition of the city on the 1st of May 1858, I find the bonds and other evidences of debt against the city, amount (in round numbers) to $125 500

I also find that the assets, supposed to be available, amount, without adding arrears of interests thereon to 89 500

This leaves the debt of the city, to be paid from direct taxes 36 000

An allowance is made of $6000 for loss on the taxes of 1855 and 1857, and the assetts included the re assessment for the Grand street filling, and the assessment on Morgan street, represented in the bonds for $7443 16 issued to Mr. Winants.

As this debt is more than represented in the School Houses and lots—Engine *Houses* and lots, and other city property, it appears to me proper that it should be funded for a few years, adding thereto what may be found necessary for the erection of school building No *Three*. This may be accomplished, if the Water Commissioners are not already empowered to pay over water bonds for the taxes paid to them for the support of the Water Works, by obtaining legislative relief therein, or authority to issue city scrip for a debt, say of Fifty Thousand dollars.

In the meantime temporary loans can be obtained without any difficulty for any money required by the city.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. S, GREGORY

Subsequently, on motion of Alderman Erwin, the veto of His Honor the Mayor to the tax ordinance was taken up for consideration.

Alderman Erwin moved "That the ordinance do now pass notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Hankins, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh and McBride.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

Communications were presented and received from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing returns of the following elections and resignations in said Department confirmed by the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department and on motion of Alderman McLaughlin it was

Resolved, That the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department be approved and confirmed.

Elections of Frederick T. Farrier by Hose Co. No. 1; Joseph A. Earle, by Hose Co. No. 2, and Henry F. Lee by Engine No. 4.

Resignations of John Goldspink from Engine Co. No. 3; Garret Cooper, Isaac Wakefield, Jacob Rapp and John Chilver, from Engine Co. No. 5, Gilbert D. Jones and James K. Morgan, from Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.

A communication was presented from Charles Fink, Esq., President of Board of Water Commissioners stating that a resolution ad been passed by said Board that the surface tax annually assessed by the city will not be required to be laid for the ensuing year. Communication received and ordered filed.

A report from the Corporation Attorney on the communication of C. H. Winfield, Esq., and the taxed bill of costs amounting to $15 36, referred to said officer April 27th, 1858, in the attachment suit against A. T. Smith, was presented; said report setting forth that the city is liable to the payment of said bill of costs, &c. The report was received and ordered filed.

The special committee to whom was referred May 11th, 1858, the petition of George McLaughlin and others to have lots in Prospect street, beginning one hundred feet South of Bay street and continuing up to South Seventh street filled up to the established grade and fenced, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on public health are hereby instructed without delay to direct the Street Commissioner to serve upon the owners or their agents of all sunken lots in Jersey City which are covered by stagnant water or any unwholesome or offensive matter or substance, the notice prescribed in the ordinance "declaring nuisances" requiring them to abate such nuisance and in case of neglect or refusal to do so within the time required by said ordinance to make complaint at once before the Recorder against all parties so neglecting or refusing to comply with the requirement of said notice and prosecute the offending party or parties for the penalty prescribed by the aforesaid ordinance.—The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on sewers to whom was referred June 1st, 1858, the application of Benjamin O. Edge and others for the construction of a culvert and receiving basin on the south east corner of Greene and Montgomery streets presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer contained in the application made to this Common Council, June 1st, 1858, for the construction of a culvert and receiving basin on the south east corner of Greene and Montgomery streets be not granted under said application for the reason that it is deemed advisable that a new application should be presented to this Common Council after the sewer ordinance, approved June 17th, 1858, shall have gone into operation, which will be in the course of a few days from this date. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 17, 1858 the petition of William Armstrong for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to William Armstrong to keep an inn and tavern at the corner of Grove street and Newark avenue in the Fourth ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke Decker, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Earle, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Roosevelt, and Wickware

The committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 2d, 1858, the petition of Richard Taylor for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Richard Taylor to keep an inn and tavern at the north west corner of Greene and Montgomery streets in the Second ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Roosevelt and Wickware.

The special committee who were appointed on the 15th ultimo to ascertain and report upon what terms the third story of Commercial Buildings can be hired for the use of city presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings are hereby instructed to lease from Peter Bentley, Esq., for a period of five years at an annual rent of seven hundred dollars the whole of the third floor of Commercial Building in Montgomery street provided that Mr. Bentley will assume the payment until the first day of May next of the rent of the present Chamber in which the meetings of the Common Council are held and also the offices occupied by the City Clerk and by the Comptroller and that he will also put in good repair the said rooms in Commercial buildings proposed to be leased from him and will introduce the gas into such portions of said rooms as the Common Council shall designate. The report was received.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

The committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 2d, 1858, the petition of Frederick Cooper, for a license to keep and inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Frederick Cooper to keew an inn and tavern at the north-east corner of York and Greene streets, in the Second ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen *W.* R. Brown,, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, and *V*oorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and *A*ldermen Earle and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Roosevelt and Wickware.

The committee on licenses to whom to was referred July 2d, 1858, the petition of John J. Wanner for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accommpanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to John J. Wanner to keep an inn and tavern at Nos. 18, 20, and 22 Grand street, in the First ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Roosevelt and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred, July 2, 1858, the petition of Francis Boyle for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a licence be granted to Francis Boyle to keep an Inn and Tavern, at the corner of Grove and South Fourth streets, in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen J. M Brown, Roosevelt and Wickware.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 16, 1858, the petition of Matthew McKernan for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Matthew McKernan to keep an inn and tavern at the south west corner of Grand and Hudson streets in the First ward of Jersey City. The report was recived.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke. Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Roosevelt and Wickware.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 1st, 1858, the petition of Taylor & Sylvester for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Taylor & Sylvester to keep an inn and tavern at the south west corner of Hudson and Montgomery streets in the Second ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke. Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Roosevelt and Wickware.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst the rule requiring a balloting was suspended to enable the Board to appoint viva voce a pound keeper for the Third ward

Whereupon Alderman Van Vorst offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That Patrick Nolan, be and is hereby appointed Poundkeeper of the Third ward, to fill the vacancy which now exists.

Alderman Erwin presented the following entitled ordinance and the same was laid upon the table, viz :—

"An ordinance providing for the maintainance of a work house and alms house in Jersey City."

Alderman Van Vorst offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committee on finance be authorized to instruct the assessors of Jersey City that where a person owns land above and below high water mark, that the assessment for taxes shall be made upon the whole—and that no separate assessment can be made on the land below high water mark-

Alderman Voorhies moved as an amendment that the following words be added :

"Unless such property shall have passed from the hands of the original proprietor who owned the land along the shore.

The amendment was adopted ; and the resolution as amended was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden, and adopted.

Resolved, That His Honor, the Mayor, be requested to call a public meeting of the tax payers of Jersey City at some suitable place, for the purpose of giving their opinions in regard to the purchase by the freeholders of Hudson County of a lot or lots on Bergen Hill adjoining the Court House.

On motion of Alderman Hardenberg the following entitled ordinance, presented June 15th 1858, was taken up for consideration, viz. :

"An ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled "An ordinance establishing a Board of Education," passed November 25th 1851, approved December 12th 1851."

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the ordinance was amended and, as amended, was passed by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Mc Bride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

Alderman Wickware obtained leave, and retired.

On motion of Alderman Erwin, the following entitled ordinance, presented August 4th 1857, was taken up for consideration, viz. : "An ordinance in relation to dead animals."

The ordinance was amended and, as amended, was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown' Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, and Voorhies.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Roosevelt and Wickware.

Alderman Van Vorst presented the following entitled ordinance and the same was laid on the table, viz.:

"An ordinance for the assessment and collection of an annual tax for the year eighteen hundred and fifty eight."

On motion of Aldernan Van Vorst, the Board proceeded to appoint two Policemen for the Third Ward.

Aldermen Voorhies and Clarke were appointed and acted as Tellers.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows; Julian P. Chazotte, received thirteen votes, Patrick Jordan, received thirteen votes—whereupon Julian P. Chazotte and Patrick Jordan were declared appointed such Policemen.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, the Board proceeded to the appointment of four Policemen for the Fourth Ward,

The same Tellers acted, and a balloting was had which resulted as follows, John A. Van Voorhies received twelve votes Matthew Bradley, received two votes, John W. Sandford, received eleven votes, William Daly, received twelve votes, Ira Smith, received eleven votes. One blank was cast.

Whereupon John A. Van Voorhies, John W. Sandford, William Daly, and Ira Smith, were declared elected such Policemen.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst the vote was re-considered by which the following resolution was rejected at the adjourned meeting, this day;

Resolved, That a license be granted to Michael Doyle to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 45 York Street, in the First Ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote' the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Earle and Van Vorst

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Roosevelt, and Wickware.

Alderman Hankins returned sixteen petitions for appointment as Policemen, referred May 11th 1858, to the Aldermen of the Third Ward. The petitions were received and ordered filed.

On motion of Alderman Hardenberg, the Mayor's communication in reference to the payment of the claims of special Policemen, was taken from the table.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst, it was

Resolved, That His Honor, the Mayor, be requested to sign the warrants drawn in favor of the special Policemen for the amounts of their claims which have been ordered paid and that the City Clerk be requested to inform His Honor, the Mayor, that said Policemen have been discharged.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Special meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, July 13th, 1858, at three o'clock P. M., called by his Honor the Mayor at the request of Aldermen Hardenbergh, McBride, Erwin, and Decker, for the purpose of considering and passing the tax ordinance, and any other ordinances on the table, of receiving and acting on a requisition from the Board of Education, and for taking action relative to matters of said Board.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen W.R. Brown, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Roosevelt, Voorhies and Wickware.

The call of the meeting was read

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst, the tax ordinance, presented July 6th, 1858, was taken up for consideration

The ordinance was considered, amended, and then laid upon the table.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber this evening at 7 1 2 o'clock.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board then adjourned

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned special meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, July 13th, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen W.R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Alderman Voorhies was absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle Roosevelt and Wickware.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst, the Tax Ordinance was taken up for consideration.

The Ordinance was amended.

On the following amendments the yeas and nays were ordered and taken:

Alderman Tilden moved to amend the Ordinance by inserting the following words:

"Sec. 22. For the improvement of Hamilton square, $2,500."

Alderman Hardenbergh moved to amend the amendment by adding "and for the improvement of Washington square, $2,500"

Alderman Hardenbergh's motion was lost by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, McBride and Tilden:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R Brown, Clarke, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride and Van Vorst

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle, Roosevelt, Voorhies and Wickware.

Alderman Tilden's motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Tilden and Hankins:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Clarke, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle, Roosevelt, Voorhies and Wickware.

Alderman Tilden moved as an amendment to insert as follows:

"Section 22. For the improvement of Hamilton square, $2,000."

The amendment was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Tilden Hardenbergh and W. R. Brown:

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Hankins, McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst.

Nays—Aldermen Erwin, Hardenbergh and McBride.

Absent—Aldermen J. M Brown, Decker, Earle, Roosevelt, Voorhies and Wickware.

Alderman W. R. Brown moved to amend by inserting as follows:

"Section 23—For the improvement of Washington Square, $2000."

The amendment was lost by the following vote, the aesy and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen W. R. Brown, Hardenbergh and McBride.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Aldermen Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle, Roosevelt, Voorhies and Wickware.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved as an amendment to insert as follows:

'Section 23—For the improvement of Washington Square, $1500."

The amendment was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, McLaughlin and Clarke.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Hardenbergh, McBride McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Aldermen Erwin, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle, Roosevelt, Voorhies and Wickware.

(Alderman Voorhies appeared and took his seat.)

Alderman Hankins moved as an amendment to insert as follows:

"Section 26. For the erection of a Public School House in the Third Ward, $12,000."

The amendment was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hankins, Tilden and Hardenbergh:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Hankins, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh and McBride.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle, Roosevelt and Wickware.

Alderman Erwin moved as an amendment to insert as follows:

"Section 27.—For the erection of a Station House, $4,000."

The amendment was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Tilden and W. R. Brown:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R Brown, Erwin, Hankins, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Clarke, Hardenbergh and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle, Roosevelt and Wickware

The ordinance was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Hankins, McLaughlin, Tilden, and Voorhies

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle, Roosevelt and Wickware.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst the vote was reconsidered by which the tax ordinance was rejected, and the ordinance was laid upon the table.

The following requisition from the Board of Education was presented, received, and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That a warrant for two thousand four hundred and eighteen dollars and seventy five cents be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Board of Education, for salaries which will be due to the teachers in the public schools for the quarter ending July 31st, 1858.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City—

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at the City Clerks office this evening the following resolution was adopted by a majority of the members present, the yeas and nays being taken:

Resolved, That rrquisition be made upon the Common Council for the sum of two thousand five hundred and six 25-100, for salaries of teachers for the quarter ending 31 July proximo.

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, July 6, 1858.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Ordinance presented June 15th, 1858, and entitled,

"An Ordinance amendatory of the Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance to establish, regulate and control a Day and Night Police in Jersey City,'" was taken up for consideraiion.

The Ordinance was amended.

On a motion made by Alderman Hardenbergh to strike out Section 4 of the Ordinance, the yeas and nays were ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, McBride and Hankins, and resulted as follows:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Hardenbergh, McBride and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Clarke, Erwin, Hankins McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle, Roosevelt and Wickware.

The said section 4, being as follows:

It shall be the duty of every Policeman at all times whilst on duty to carry with him a book in which shall be entered all violations of the ordinances of the city, all criminal offences or matters which he may deem necessary to note, in order to preserve the public peace or promote the public order, and shall report the contents of the same to the Chief of Police or one of his Aids at the hour of nine o'clock on each day at the Station House.

The ordinance was laid upon the table again on motion of Alderman Van Vorst.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, July 20, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

In the absence of the Clerk, Alderman Hardenbergh was appointed Clerk, *pro tempore*.

Present—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins. Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle and McLaughlin were absent at calling of roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Absent Aldermen J. M Brown and Roosevelt.

The minutes of the adjourned meeting of July 6, 1858, at 3 o'clock, P. M, of the regular meeting of July 6, 1858, at 7½ o'clock P. M., of the special meeting of July 13, 1858, at 3 o'clock, P. M., and of the adjourned special meeting of July 13, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of John Bouton and others for the construction of a main sewer in South Seventh street, to extend from tide water, East of Prospect street to the intersection of Newark avenue, &c. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Gustavus Liebig and Charles De Cline for contract tor five years, to remove all dead animals as set forth in ordinance approved July 14, 1858, entitled "An ordinance in relation to dead animals. Referred to the Committee on Public Health, with authority to contract: if the Committee deem it to the interest of the city to do so.

Remonstrance of Garret E. Winants and others to the construction of a sewer in South Ninth or Bay street, &c. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Patrick McGonnell for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables. Referred to the Committee on Licenses

Petition of Mrs R. A. Durfee to have the sale of lot 61 York street, block 31, sold August 4, 1856, for taxes of 1855, cancelled of record, &c. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Bond of John Cannon as constable, reported correct as drawn in legal form by the Corporation Attorney, was presented, received and ordered filed.

Claims and accounts were presented received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Of George Smith, $132 75; Samuel Hetherington, $60; Smith Mead, $40 83. and R. B. Kashow, $37 50. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, $28 15; A. P. Rikeman, $2, and R. B. Kashow, $1 72. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Of Samuel D. Ellis, $30; R. B. Kashow, $16 30; J. G. & I. Edge, jr., $12 25, and John Mersey, $4. Referred to the Committee on Alms.

Of J. B. Forrest, $200. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Peter Wagner, $162. Referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Of Richard D. McClelland, $88 59. Referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances

Of Newark Daily Advertiser, $4. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

The claims of Andrew Clerk amounting to $100; John Van Vorst, $100, and William Kinney, $100. Referred to the Committee on streets, July 6, 1858, were returned by said Committee.

The claims were referred to said Committee for further consideration.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received referred to their appropriate Committees, afterwards reported correct add ordered paid, viz.:

Of Geo. W. Cassedy, $500; J. G & I. Edge, jr., $300; E. D. Reily, $252; J. V. Hardenbergh, $250; D. Bedford, $175; J. D. Nolan, $150; R. D. McClelland $150; P. D. Vroom, $125; S. A. French, $87 50; H A. Miller, $86 96 and $83 53; Henry Kelly, $56 25; A. B. Reynolds, $41 53, and $41 10; James McClusky, $26 50; Patrick Ganer. $23 62; Michael McGuire, $20 50; Mrs. Ann Eaton, $16 50; Patrick Duggan, $15; William Foran, $13 50; James Baxter, $13; James Corrigan, $13; Patrick Toney, $11 87; Hector McMullen, $11 56, John Garvey, $10 50; William Ryan, $10 25; James McMannus, $10; John Nicholson. $9 25, and James Greene, $5.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, etc.:

Of Keeney & Halladay, $1630 58; Police Department, $1291 24; H. McComb, $115 72; Daily Telegraph, $116 75; Daily Telegraph, $91 36; Michael Malone, $50; Daily Telegraph, $46 18; Nathaniel Ellis, $41 45; W. J. Hough, $37 85; Daily Telegraph, $36; A. Love, $33 87; Wm. W. Lee, $29 40; J. F. Richardson, $23; Hugh Billingsley, $23; J. F. Richardson, $22; W. B. Dunning, $16; Thomas Royle, $15 98; W. B. Dunning, $6 86, and $1 75; and Charles Van Brunt, $2. and $2.

The committee on alms to whom was referred July 6, 1858, the claim of Michael Mullone. amounting to $18 53, was reported correct by said committee for $15 68, and that amount ordered paid.

The committee on alms to whom was referred July 6, 1858, the claim of Samuel D. Ellis, amounting to $80, for taking charge of City Work House from January 1st to May 1st, 1858, presented a report adverse to the payment of said bill, said bill being incorrectly drawn. Report received and adopted.

The following requisition from the Board of Education was presented, received, and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh warrants were ordered to be drawn in favor of the claimants respectively named:

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held on Tuesday evening, July 13, 1858, it was

Resolved, by a majority of the votes of the members present, the yeas and nays being taken, that requisition be made upon the Common Council, in favor of

Wm. Davis, Janitor of No. 2, $50; P. D. Vroom, Clerk of Board of Education, $44; C. A. Yerrington, paid for cards, No. 2, $3, P. H. Nugent, repairs, $3 25; Wm. Gopsill, taking census of children, $75.

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, July 20, 1858.

Communications were presented and received from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following elections and resignations in said Department, confirmed by the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department, and on motion of Alderman McLaughlin it was

Resolved, That the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department be approved and confirmed.

Election of A. B. Coykendall and J. Wood, by Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2.

Resignations of William Sanderson and Joshua A. French, from Engine Co. No. 1, and John Kirwin and Frederick Boorman from Hose Co. No. 2.

Semi-annual report of Board of Water Commissioners with accompanying statement of receipts and expenditures and report of Superintendent of Water Wotks, etc., were presented, received and ordered filed.

On motion of Alderman Tilden it was

Resolved, That the semi-annual report of the Board of Water Commissioners be published in both of the Jersey City papers, and that the said report together with accompanying documents be published in pamphlet form under the direction of the City Clerk.

Petition of James Harper for a license to keep a junk shop.

Referred to the committee on licenses; subsequently on motion of Alderman Decker the petition was referred to Alderman Tilden.

Alderman Tilden to whom was referred the petition of James Harper to keep a junk shop presented a favorable report thereon. The report was received.

Alderman Tilden moved "That a license be granted to James Harper to keep a junk shop at No. 354 South 6th street, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh. McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Van Vorst and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

The Committee on Streets to whom were referred June 1st 1858, the proposals of Edward D. Reilly and Keeney & Halladay to furnish paving stones and sand for repairing public streets, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the contracts which have been executed by Edward D. Reilly for furn shing for street repairs five hundred tons of paving stones be executed on the part of the city by His Honor the Mayor, and by the City Clerk under the Corporate Seal of the City; that one of said contracts be delivered to Edward D. Reilly and the other together with the bond for the fulfillment of said contract be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the contracts which have been executed by William Keeney and John R. Halladay for furnishing for street repairs eight hundred yards of sand be executed on the the part of the city by His Honor the Mayor and by the City Clerk under the Corporate Seal, that one of said contracts be delivered to said Keeney & Halladay, and the other together with the bond for their fulfillment of the contract be filed in the Comptrollers office.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Alms to whom was referred December 8th1857, the claim of Henry S. Supardus amounting to $126, 00 for board of Henry Murray from March 23d 1857 to November 30th 1857, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn payable to the order of Henry S. Supardus overseer of the township of Piscataway, for the sum of seventy-two dollars, which if received shall be in full of all demands on account of pauper Henry Murray.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred July 6th 1858, the petition of Alexander Love to be instructed in relation to his powers and duties under his contract to clean the streets etc., presented a report submitting opinion of City Attorney in relation to such matters &c.

Report received, adopted and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred by resolution of July 6th, 185- the proposals of A. Love, Geo. Tallon and Quinly & Kilroy, for the contract to sweep and clean the the streets of Jersey City, p. esented a report accompanied by the following resolutions.

Resolved, That the three proposals referred to the Committee on Streets July 6th 1858, for the contract to sweep and clean the public streets and avenues of Jersey City, be rejected for the reason that two of said proposals being for the same amount the contract cannot be awarded to the lowest bidder, there being none; and that the bonds which accompanied said proposals be returned to the principals therein named.

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets are hereby instructed to advertise anew in both of the Jersey City papers for proposals for a contract to sweep and clean the public streets and avenues of the city for one year from the time such contract shall have been executed.

The report was received and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee on Streets reported seven sealed proposals received by them in answer to their advertisement for the contract to regulate Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek

On motion of Alderman W. R. Brown it was

Resolved, That the seven sealed proposals which have been received at this meeting of the Common Council, for the contract to regulate Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek, be opened and read.

The proposals were opened and read and found to be from D. Keenan, James S. Noyes, Keeney & Halladay, Enos Cole William A. Cumming, James F. Fielder and Edward McGuire Said proposals being each accompanied by a bond for the fulfillment of contract if awarded.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman W. R. Brown and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committtee on Streets, be instructed to enter into a contract with the lowest bidder, for the improvement of Grove street, if they deem it the interest of the city so to do.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 7th,1858, the petition of Moses H. Bean for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, that a license be granted to Moses H. Bean to keep an Inn and Tavern in Montgomerystreet, known as the American Hotel in the Second ward of Jersey City. The report was received

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thursten, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 3d, 1858, the petition of John B Rae for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John B. Rae, to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 115 Hudson street, in the First ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 6, 1858, the petition of William H. Frazee for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to William H. Frazee to keep an inn and tavern at the north-west corner of Grand and Hudson streets, in the First Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred May 26, 1858, the petition of Christopher Flinspach for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Christopher Flinspach to keep an inn and tavern at No. 31 Newark avenue, in the Second Ward of Jersey City

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, and Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the ordinance entitled

An ordinance amendatory of the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to establish, regulate and control a day night Police" in Jersey City, presented and laid upon the table June 15, 1858, was taken up for consideration. The ordinance was amended.

Section 4 was amended on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, by inserting between the words "at" and "the" in the last line the words "or before."

Alderman W. R. Brown moved to amend Sec. 1st, by striking out the word "two" between the words "Chief," and "Aids," and inserting the word "three" in the first line.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown and Earle.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies Sec. 8 of the ordinance which reads as follows was striken out.

"Section 8. That nothing in this ordinance contained shall be so construed as to disqualify any policeman now in office, or vitiate any appointment already made."

Alderman McBride moved to amend Section 1st, by striking out all after the words "Common Council." The amendment was lost.

Alderman Van Vorst moved to amend Section 1st, by striking out the first word "seven" and inserting the words

"twenty-eight" and by inserting between the first word "Policemen" and "from" the words "seven of whom shall be selected." The amendment was adopted.

The ordinance was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, McLaughlin, and Van Vorst.

Nays—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Earle, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst the following entitled ordinance presented and laid upon the table July 6, 1858, was taken up for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance for the assessment and collection of an annual tax for the year eighteen hundred and fifty eight."—The ordinance was amended.

Alderman Erwin moved to strike out section 23, for the improvement of Washington Square, $1,500."

Alderman Hardenbergh moved as amendment to Alderman Erwins motion by adding "and that Section 22, for the improvement of Hamilton Square, $2000," be stricken out."

Alderman Hardenberghs motion to amend Alderman Erwin's motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and W. R. Brown, Hankins, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

Alderman Erwin's motion as amended was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Decker, Erwin, Hardenbergh and McBride.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Earle, Hankins, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Absent- Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

Alderman Van Vorst moved as an amendment, to strike out "Section 27th. For the erection of a Station House, $4,000. The motion was adopted.

Alderman Erwin moved to insert in place of Section 27th, striken out, the following :

"Section 27th. For City Emblems, $200." The motion was adopted.

Alderman Van Vorst moved as an amendment, to strike out the words "by the Assessors of Taxes," in Section 32, and add after the word "transcript" the words "under the direction of the Committee on Finance." The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the words "ninety nine thousand" in the first line of the ordinance were stricken out and the words "eighty-eight thousand two hundred" inserted and the words "ninety-nine thousand" stricken out in the 28th Section, and the words, "eighty-eight thousand two hundred" inserted.

The ordinance as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—Alderman Hardenbergh.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

Alderman Hardenbergh offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That when this Board adjourn it will adjourn to meet on Tuesday afternoon July 27th, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

The resolution was amended on motion of Alderman Wickware so as to read 7½ o'clock, P. M., and as amended was adopted.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Assessments be requested to report at the next regular meeting upon the propriety of accepting or rejecting on the part of the city the city map as executed by Lieutenant Viele.

Alderman Hankins offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That this Common Council will pay no claims against the corporation of Jersey City, exceeding $5 unless ordered by resolution of the Common Council in session.

Alderman Voorhies moved as an amendment to strike out the words "unless ordered by resolution of the Common Council in session" and by adding the following:

Unless the work done or the materials furnished, for which such claim is made, was ordered by resolution of the Common Council.

Alderman Voorhies' amendment was rejected.

Alderman Hankins' resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Hankins, McBride, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Tilden and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Roosevelt.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Tilden and laid upon the table.

Resolved, That the committee on streets be requested to have Mercer street graded, paved, curbed and guttered without delay, and all obstructions removed from said street, from Green to Hudson street.

Resolved, That all resolutions granting permission to the New Jersey Railroad and Transportion ompany to lay rails down in said Mercer street be and is hereby rescinded

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hankins and adopted.

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and building be instructed to report to this Board suitable plans for building a Station House.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the vote was reconsidered by which the following resolution was adopted at the adjourned regular meeting held July 6, 1858, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Resolved, That the joint committees on schools and public grounds and buildings be instructed to report at the next regular meeting of the Common Council a plan or plans for the erection of a school house in the 3d ward, on lots now owned by the city in Bright street, said building to be erected at an expense not to exceed the sum of twelve thousand dollars.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh and laid upon the table.

Resolved, That the joint committee on schools and public grounds and buildings be instructed to report at the next regular meeting of the Common Council a plan or plans for the erection of a school house in the 3d ward, on lots now owned by the city in Bright street, said building to be erected at an expense not to exceed the sum of sixteen thousand dollars.

Alderman Voorhies presented the following entitled ordinance and the same was laid upon the table viz :

"An ordinance defining the duties of the Board of Fire Wardens."

Alderman Voorhies presented the following entitled ordinance and the same was laid on the table viz;

"An ordinance amendatary of an ordinance entitled an ordinance defining the duties of the Collector of Assessments and providing for the collection of the same, approved July 25th 1854."

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Policeman from the Fourth Ward to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Policeman Paul Townsend

Aldermen Voorhies and Hankins were appointed and acted as Tellers.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows : Matthew Bradley received nine votes; John B. Davis received five votes: whereupon Matthew Bradley having received the requisite number of votes was declared elected a Policeman from the Fourth Ward.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the the Board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the Board of Education from the First Ward to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of J. W. Parker.

Same Tellers acted.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows: John Griffith received nine votes; Charles H. Winfield received five votes; whereupon John Griffith having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a member of the Board of Education from the First Ward.

On motion of Alderman Erwin, the Board then adjourned.

A. A. HARDENBERGH, Clerk *pro tem.*

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday July 27, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

In the absence of the City Clerk, Alderman Hardenbergh was appointed Clerk pro tem.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown Clarke, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle, McLaughlin and Roosevelt.

Petitions, communications, etc, were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petitions of Charles N eway, and Thomas Morrisey, for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of John S. Mark and others for the construction of a sewer in Railroad avenue, south side between Grove and and Barrow streets to be connected with the sewer in Grove street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Remonstrance of Henry Stiff and others against construction of a sewer in South 9th or Bay street, &c. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Julian P. Chazotte to have his expulsion from Engine Co. No. 1, confirmed by the Fire Commissioners, changed to resignation, &c. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Remonstrance of George McLaughlin and others against opening of Montgomery street.

Two remonstrances of Charles F. Durant against opening of Montgomery street, &c.

Remonstrance of George McLaughlin against opening of Montgomery street.

Remonstrance of Cornelius Van Vorst, and others against opening of Montgomery street, &c.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies the reading of the remonstrances were dispensed with.

Alderman Erwin moved,

That the remonstrances against the Montgomery street opening be published in both the Jersey City papers. The motion was lost.

The Remonstrances were referred to the Committee on Streets.

The following invitation was presented, received and accepted:

On motion of Alderman Erwin it was

Resolved, That this Common Council will meet on Wednesday, July 28th, 1858, at 3 o'clock P. M., at the City Clerk's Office to take action relative to the invitation of the Trustees of School House No. 1, of Beagen to attend laying of the Corner Stone of said School house, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to attend said meeting. To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Trustees of School No. *One* ("the Old Academy District) held last evening, a resolution was unanimously passed, tendering an invitation to the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City to be present at the laying of the Corner Stone of the New School Edifice, at Bergen Square, on Wednesday afternoon, July 28, at 4 o'clock.

ABRAHAM SPEER,
J. A. RYERSON,
H. VAN GELDER,
} Trustees.

J. A. RYERSON, Secretary of the Board.

Petition of Thomas Gilroy for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

Alderman Erwin moved

"That the petition be referred to the committee on licenses to report this meeting. The motion was lost.

Alderman Erwin moved that a license to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the Corporate Seal of the City, to Thomas Gilroy, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride and Tilden.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Hankins, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle, McLaughlin and Roosevelt.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of Hastings & Forby, $37 50; R. A. Randall, $20; N. A. Knapp, $14 30; and S. Billington, $3. Referred to the Committee on Alms.

Of W. B. Dunning, $23 52, and $2 34. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Of Thomas Howe, $65 52; and W. B. Dunning, 32 cents. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of G. H. Bailey and R. C. Bacot, $75. Referred to the Committee on Assessments.

Of Mrs. George R. Orcutt, $34. Referred to the Special Committee on Fourth of July Programme

Of F. P. Budden, $25. Referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of Thomas Howe, $9 40. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Of Thomas Howe $9 59. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

A claim of H. McComb amounting to $214 62 was presented, received, referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of R. B. Kashow, $163 43, Daily Telegraph, $150; Geo. Smith, $132 75; R. D. McClelland, $88 59; Thomas Royle, $58; R. B. Kashow. $37 50; Samuel D. Ellis, $30; Nathaniel Ellis, $28 15; R. B. Kashow, $16 30; J. G. & I. Edge, Jr., $12 25; John Mersey, $4; and R. B. Kashow, $1 72.

(Alderman Decker appeared and took his seat.)

A communication from Benjamin Haines, jr., Chief of Police, stating that Cornelius Fisher had filed his resignation at the Station House as a Policeman, was presented, received and laid upon the table.

Communications were presented and received from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the elections of Joel C. Potter, by Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, and Wm. M. Smith, by Hook & Ladder Co. No. 2, confirmed by the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department, and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department be approved and confirmed.

Alderman Decker, being the only member of the Committee on Licenses present, requested to have a member of the Common Council associated with him for the evening.

The President appointed Alderman Hankins.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 6, 1858, the petition of Joseph B. Conkling for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the Corporate Seal of the City, to Joseph B Conkling, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred June 1st, 1858, the petition of Patrick Weldon for a license to keep a junk shop presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Weldon to keep a Junk Shop at No. 339 South 8th street in the Third Ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 20, 1858, the petition of Patrick McGonnell, for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city to Patrick McGonnell on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred May 31, 1858, the petition of Patrick Lynch for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Lynch to keep an Inn and Tavern at No 8 Bright street in the Third Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen W R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware

Nays—President Thurston and Alderman Hankins.

Absent—Alderman J. M. Brown, Earle, McLaughlin and Roosevelt.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred July 2d, 1858, the petition of John Schofield for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Schofield to keep an inn and tavern in Henderson street in the Third ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote. the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nay—President Thurston.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Earle, McLaughlin and Roosevelt.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 4, 1858, the petition of Henry White for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved. That a license be granted to Henry White to keep an inn and tavern at No. 224 Grand street in the Third ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Earle, McLaughlin and Roosevelt.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 1st 1858, the petition of John Smith for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Smith to keep an Inn and Tavern, at No. 138 Newark avenue, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City, known as the "Bee Hive." The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas aad nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Voorhies, and Wickware

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen J. M Brown, Earle, McLaughlin, and Roosevelt.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred June 5, 1858, the petition of John Cary for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Cary to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 33 Morris street, in the First ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Hankins, and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Earle, McLaughlin and Roosevelt.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred June 7th, 1858, the petition of Patrick Martin for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Martin to keep an Inn and Tavern at 118 Newark avenue in the Fourth ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Earle, McLaughlin and Roosevelt.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 2, 1858 the petition of William Butler for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern at No 83 Montgomery street. in the Second Ward, presented a report setting forth that Mr. Butler wishes to withdraw his application, and recommending that his request be granted and also recommending that the City Clerk be requested to refuud the amount of license fees on his surrendering his receipt for the same to the City Clerk. The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on streets to whom was referred on the 20th inst., seven proposals for the contract to regulate Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the contracts for regulating Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek, including all intersections which have been executed by James F. Fielder be executed on the part of the City by the Mayor and City Clerk under the city seal; that the bond presented at this meeting of the Common Council be approved and filed in the Comptroller's office, and that the bond presented on the 20th July, 1858, with the proposal by James F. Fielder be returned to him by the City Clerk and that the bonds which accompanied the rejected proposals of James S. Noyes, Keeney & Halladay, Edward McGuire, D. Keenan, William A. Cumming and Enos Cole, be returned to the principals therein named. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets to whom were referred May 18, 1858, the petition of J. W. Parker and others for the removal of obstructions in Mercer street, etc., the petition of J. W. Parker, Morrell & Vanderbeck and Thomas Weldon, referred to said committee June 1st, 1858, asking that their names be erased from above named petition and the petition of Stephen Durgin presented June 15, 1858, to have obstructions in Mercer street between Washington and Hudson streets removed, submitting map of said street, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition signed J. W. Parker and others presented May 18, 1858, and the petition presented June 15, 1858 signed Stephen Durgin be granted.

Resolved, That the prayer of J. W. Parker and others contained in communication presented on the first day of June. 1858, asking that their names be erased from the petition of J. W. Parker and others presented May 18, 1858, be granted by endorsement thereon to that effect.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved "That the report and resolutions be laid on the table."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Wickware, Tilden and Hankins.

Yeas—Wm. R Brown and Hardenbergh.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies aud Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Earle, McLaughlin and Roosevelt.

Alderman Wickware moved That the report be received and the resolutions adopted.

The report was received; the resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Tilden and Erwin.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—Alderman Hardenbergh.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Earle, McLaughlin and Roosevelt.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the report of the Committee on Police on the petition of S. Bennett and S. P. Hammond respecting the reward for the arrest of the Cincinnatti Burglar presented and laid upon the table February 16, 1858, was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the report was referred back to the Committee on Police.

The Committee on Police, through Alderman Hankins, Chairman, immediately rendered a verbal report stating that the Committee could give the matter no further considera

tion and asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The verbal report was received, adopted and the Committee discharged from its further consideration.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred July 6, 1858, the communication of the Comptroller stating that he has been notified of the expiration March 23, 1858, of Improvement Certificate, No. 177, &c., presented the following resolution in relation thereto:

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be and are hereby authorized to borrow for the purpose of paying off Improvement Certificate No. 177 now due, and in anticipation of the collection of the assessment for the Improvement of Warren street, from Morgan to Montgomery streets, the sum of one thousand one hundred and seventy-eight dollars and eighteen cents, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized on the requisition of the Committee on Finance, to issue under the Corporate Seal of the City, an Improvement Bond for the same.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, McLaughlin and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Earle and Roosevelt.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That all resolutions granting permission to the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company to lay rails in Mercer street from Warren to Hudson street be and is hereby repealed.

Resolved, That the committee on streets be requested to have all obstructions in said Mercer street, removed without delay.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to charge to the account of public grounds and buildings the sum of two dollarsand forty cents, amount assessed on public school in Erie street for regulation of South 6th street from Prospect street to Newark avenue.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman W. R. Brown and adopted.

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed by the Chair to confer with the Directors of the New Jersey Transportation and Railroad Company, in reference to the various obstructions complained of by the citizens of Jersey City.

Aldermen W. R. Brown, Voorhies, Van Vorst, Tilden, Wickware and Earle were appointed such Committee.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman W. R Brown and adopted.

Resolved, That the fine of $20 imposed on Patrick Welden, for keeping a Junk Shop without license, be and the same is hereby remitted.

Subsequently on motion of Alderman Hankins the vote was reconsidered by which the resolution was adopted, and the resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Voorhies and W. R. Brown.

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, McBride, and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Tilden, Van Vorst and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Earle, McLaughlin and Roosevelt.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Erwin and adopted.

Resolved, That the committee on alms be instructed to advertise for three hundred tons of coal for use of Alms Department.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman W. R, Brown and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be empowed to order all necessary work upon the streets until the next meeting of the Common Council.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hankins and adopted.

Resolved, That this Common Council will pay no bill or claim against the city beyond the amount of $10, unless the same shall have been previously ordered by resolution of the Common Council.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst the claim of Ephraim Pray for work and materials at public pound in 4th Ward, adversely reported upon by the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, June 15, 1858, and laid upon the table was taken up for consideration.

Alderman Van Vorst moved, That a warrant for one hundred and fifty-four dollars and seventy-one cents be drawn on the city Treasurer, in favor of Ephraim Pray, for work and materials at Public Pound, in Fourth Ward, for amount of bill presented, June 1st, 1858.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston and Alderman Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen J. M Brown, Earle, McLaughlin and Roosevelt.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the Board then adjourned,

A. A. HARDENBERGH, City Clerk, pro tem.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, August 3d, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Thurston and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Absent—Alderman Roosevelt.

The minutes of the regular meeting of July 20th, 1858, were read and approved.

The minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of July 27, 1858, were read, amended on motion of Alderman Erwin, so as to read in reference to the granting of a license to Thomas Gilroy to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables, that the motion to grant such license was "adopted," and as amended were approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Thomas Lawless for a license to peddle fish, vegetables, &c. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Communication of E. B. Wakeman complaining of nuisance west of Brunswick street, between South Seventh and South Eighth streets, caused by stagnant water, &c. Referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Communication from Joseph Roworth and others complaining of nuisance in York street, between Barrow and Grove streets, caused by vacant lots covered with stagnant water, &c. Referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Remonstrance of James T. Barnes and others against construction of sewer in South Seventh street, &c. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition and bond of Thomas Lynch for a license to keep a junk shop. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Edward Coles and others to pave, &c., Jersey avenue, between South First and South Second streets, at their own expense, &c. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Drayton & Durant, $36 50; Jacob Erwin, $54 74; Hugh Reilly, $19 94; Keeney & Halladay, $8 57; and William B. Dunning, $8. Referred to the Committee on Alms.

Of J. B. Stone, $50; E. Pray, $14 91; David Bedford, $13; and R. B. Earle & Co., $2 05. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Police Department, $1,279 88; and John F. Richardson, $16 50. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Of J. F. Richardson, $11 50; Hugh Billingsley, $23; and Mrs. Ann Eaton, $16 50. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Of Keeney & Halladay, $219 30 and $6 16. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Of William Whitley, $150; and R. B. Earle & Co., $9 13. Referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of Daily Telegraph, $10 58; and William B. Dunning, $2 70. Referred the Committee on Finance.

Of William Coogan, $16. Referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Of R. B. Earle & Co., $3 60. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received referred to the Committee on Streets, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of I. B. & D. E. Culver, $225 68; Patrick Coyle, $74 96; Patrick Garvey, $24 75; Michael McGuire, $21; Lawrence Owens, $14 50; Patrick Forney, $13 12; Hector McMullen, $12 50; John Nicholson, $11; John Garvey, $11; William Ryan, $11; William Foran, $10 75; William B. Dunning, $5 39; and $4 20.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of G. H. Bailey and R. C. Bacot, $75; Thomas Howe, $35 52; Samuel Hetherington, $60; Hastings & Forby, $37 50; Mrs. George R. Orcutt, $34; F. P. Budden, $25; W. B. Dunning, $23 52; R. A. Randall $20; N. A. Knapp, $14 30; S. Billington, $6; W. B. Dunning, $5; Newark Daily Advertiser, $4; W. B. Dunning, $2 34; A. P. Rikeman, $2; and W. B. Dunning, 32 cents.

A claim of Keeney & Halladay amounting to $92, presented and referred to the Special Committee on Van Vorst Square and Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, July 6, 1858, was reported correct by said Committee for $87 and that amount ordered paid.

A claim of William B. Dunning amounting to $108, presented and referred to the Committee on Finance, July 6, 1858, was reported correct by said Committee.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved "That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of William B Dunning for one hundred and eight dollars for amount of his claim."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—Aldermen J. M Brown, Earle and McLaughlin.

Absent—Aldermen Roosevelt and Wickware.

The City Clerk presented a petition filed in his office July 28th, 185 , at 11 1-2 o'clock A. M., signed by James Warner, Samuel Hetherington, J. F. Fielder, Patrick Rooney, Henry French, and Henry I. Vanderbeck requesting permission to withdraw their names or to have the same erased from the remonstrance signed by them against the opening of Montgomery street.

Alderman Voorhies moved "That the petition be received and that the prayer of the petitioners be granted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, McBride, and Earle.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hankins, McBride, McLaughlin, and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen Roosevelt and Wickware.

Resignation of Cornelius Fisher as a Policeman, was presented, received, accepted and ordered filed.

A report of City Treasurer for month of July 1858, showing a balance in the City Treasury, July 31, 1858, of $20,578 38, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of the following entitled Corporation Notice, viz:

"Application to have Morgan street from the west side of Prospect street to the east side of Grove street regulated, paved, etc."

The report was received and ordered filed.

Quarterly report of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending July 31, 1858, was presented, received and ordered published in the Corporation paper.

The following communication from the Board of Education was presented, received, warrants ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Isaac Wakefield, $1 22, and $4 06, and the remaining subjects embraced in the communication were referred to the committee on schools.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education held June 15 1858, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, It appears that the labors of the Principal of Public School No 2 are fully equal to those of the Principal of Public School No. 1 Therefore

Resolved, That the salary of C. A. Yerrington, Principal of Public School No. 2, be increased to $1200, provided the Common Council assent thereto.

It was also Resolved, That the Normal School shall hereafter be divided into two classes, and that the Principals of Public Schools No. 1 and No. 2, are hereby appointed teachers of said School, and shall receive therefore, Common Council approving, a salary of $100 each per annum.

At a meeting of the Board of Education held March 23rd, 185 , it was

Resolved, That requisition be made upon the Common Council in favor of Isaac Wakefield for the sums of $1 22 and $4 06; the same having been accidentally omitted by the Clerk in the requisition made at that time.

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

The Committee on assessments to whom was referred May 18, 1858, the communication of Andrew Clerk complaining of the system of assessing property for intersections, adopted by the Board of Commissioners for Assessments, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to furnish to the Board of Commissioners for Assessments a copy of the communication of Andrew Clerk, presented to the Common Council May 18, 1855, in reference to the present

mode of laying Assessments for intersections; and that said Board be requested to give the subject their early attention and to report the result of their deliberations to this Common Council,

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets to wh m was referred August 3, 1858, the petition of Edward Coles and others to pave, curb, gutter, and otherwise improve Jersey avenue from South 1st to South 2d streets, at their own exp nse, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition of Edward Coles and others be granted and they be allowed to do their own work at their own expense under the direction of your committee on streets, superintended by the Street Commissioner

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets who were instructed by resolution passed July 20, 1858, to advertise anew in both of the Jersey City papers for proposals for a con ract to sweep and clean the public streets and avenues of the city for one year, presented a report accompanied by four sealed proposals received by them in answer to their advertisement and recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved. That the four sealed proposals which have been received by the committee on streets in answer to their ad vertisement for a contract to sweep and clean for one year the paved streets and avenues in Jersey City, and which have been reported to the Common Council at this meeting by said committee be opened and read.

The report was received and the resolution adopted

The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from A. Love, John Coar, John Fothergill, and George Tallon, said proposals being each accompanied by a bond for the faithful fulfilment of the contract if awarded.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman W. R. Brown and adopted :

Resolved, That the four proposals and accompanying bonds which have been received, opened, and read at this meeting of the Common Council for the contract to sweep and clean the public streets and avenues of the city for one year be referred to the committee on streets with authority to contract with the lowest bidder provided the said committee deem it to the interest of the city to make such contract.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred July 27, 1858, the petition of Charles Nieway for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the Corporate Seal of the city, to Charles Nieway on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 27, 1 58, the petition of Thomas Morrisey for a license t peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, p esented a favorabl report thereon accomp nied by the follo ing resolution :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city, to Thomas Morris y on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 27th, 1858, the petition of Thomas Gilroy for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution;

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Thomas Gilroy, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 2d, 1858, the petition of George H. Deizt for a license to keep an inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to George H Deitz, to keep an inn and Tavern at No. 17 Newark avenue, in the Second ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Alderman W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, and Earle

Absent—Aldermen Roosevelt and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred June 15, 1858, the petition of Patrick Doyle for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Doyle to keep an inn and tavern at No. 51 Newark avenue, in the Second ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen J. M Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen Roosevelt and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 2d, 1858, the petition of Ferdinand Wirtz for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Ferdinand Wirtz to keep an inn and tavern at No. 28 Newark avenue, in the Second Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R Brown. Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin. Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies

Nays—President Thurston and Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen Roosevelt and Wickware.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman W. R. Brown and adopted :

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to notify the owner of building No. 54 Grand street, Jersey City, to repair the sidewalk in front of his said house and lot.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman W. R. Brown and adopte :

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be authorized to order all necessary work on streets until the next meeting of the Common Council

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Voorhies and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of C. H. Winfield, Esq., Attorney, for $15 36-100, to pay the taxed costs against the city in the attachment suit of the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, against Albert T. Smith—said attachment having been dismissed with costs.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of the special Committe on the celebratioon of the Fourth of July, for one hundred and five dollars, being amount paid Harvey B. Dodsworth, for services for his Band on the evening of July Fifth-

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Police, be instructed to have the sleeping apartment of the Station House cleansed and whitewashed.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins :

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings and the Committee on Schools be instructed to report plans for building Public School House in the Third ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was amended on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh by adding the following words :

"At a cost not to exceed the sum of fifteen thousand dollars."

The resolution as amended was adopted.

Alderman Voorhies offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the resolution adopting a plan for the laying out of Washington Square be and the same is hereby repealed.

Resolved, That the Committee on Washington Square be and they are hereby authorized to employ a surveyor to draft

a plan for the laying out of Washington Square at a cost not over ten dollars.

The second resolution was amended on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh by adding the following words: "The plan to provide for an improvement not to exceed in cost the sum of four thousand dollars." The resolutions as amended were adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Erwin and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Alms be empowered to expend forty dollars for the purpose of erecting coal sheds for the use of Alms Department.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Erwin and adopted:

Resolved, That a special Committee of three Aldermen be appointed to procure the requisite number of official emblems for the Mayor and members of this Common Council, at an expense not to exceed the sum of two hundred dollars, said emblems to be made from the die belonging to the City.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies the petition of Charles G. Sisson presented May 22d, 1856, in reference to claims assigned to him by John Bevan, formerly a City Surveyor, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the Board proceeded to the appointment of a policeman for the First ward to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of policeman Cornelius Fisher.

Aldermen Clarke and Decker were appointed and acted as tellers.

Ten unsuccessful ballotings were had as follows:

BALLOTINGS.

NAMES.	1 VOTES.	2 VOTES.	3 VOTES.	4 VOTES.	5 VOTES.	6 VOTES.	7 VOTES.	8 VOTES.	9 VOTES.	10 VOTES.
Bradford C. Pellet	3	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stephen Bennett	3	2	7	7	8	8	8	8	8	8
Samuel Bennett	2	2	3	3	4	3	5	5	4	4
Peter Rourke	4	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1
Alfred Berry	...	...	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	1
William Keen	2	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Blanks cast	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...

After the tenth balloting further balloting was ordered to be postponed on motion of Alderman J. M. Brown.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday, August 10th, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday August 10th, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen Earle.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Whereas, intelligence has reached us of the success attending the effort to connect Europe and America by means of a submarine telegraph cable. And

Whereas, from its great importance in a social and commercial point of view, in its ultimate bearing upon the great humanfamily, it cannot but be considered as the grandest achievment in the history of time. Therefore

Resolved, That it becomes us as a people to unite our congratulations with other cities throughout our Union in the great work thus accomplished.

Resolved, That upon the evening of the day when the first despatch shall have passed between the Queen of Great Britain and the President of the United States a salute of one hundred guns be fired, and our citizens be requested to illuminate their stores and dwellings.

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor, the President of the Common Council, and the City Clerk be requested to tender in the name and on behalf of the city of Jersey City to Capt Wm. L. Hudson and the officers of the United States Steamship Niagara the compliment of a public dinner, at such time as may best suit their convenience.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Charles Graham for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit, and vegetables. Referred to committee on licenses

Petition of Thomas J. Burger to be appointed a weigher of saltpetre now stored and to be stored in warehouse Nos. 46 and 48 Wayne st. of which he has the charge. Referred to committee on salaries, offices and elections.

Petition of S. C. McLaughlin and others, asking that the licensed fish, fruit, meat and vegetable peddlars in Jersey City, be protected against unlicensed parties from the city of New York, etc.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Erwin and adopted:

Resolved, That whereas complaints are made by our licensed meat, fish, fruit and vegetable peddlars, that persons from the city of New York are in the habit of vending their wares in Jersey City, under pretence of having State licenses, the committee on police are hereby instructed to investigate the matter and take all lawful measures for the protection of the rights of those who hold licenses from the Mayor and Common Council of this city, and that the said committee are further instructed to report to this Common Council what action the committee may have taken in the premises.

Petition of E. B. Wakeman for himself and in behalf of all other owners of property lying between the New Jersey Railroad and the Newark Turnpike west of Bruswick street, asking that the injury to said property caused by the filling of Mill Creek be remedied, etc.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McLaughlin and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on sewers be empowered to drain said lands in the most practicable manner so as to abate said nuisance.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of D. S. Gregory, $75; James McLaughlin $50. Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, $24 18. Referred to the committee on police.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of A. Love, $693 75; Jasper Wandle, $31 25; and $31 25; Bernard Naughton, $16 25; and John Woods, $15 50.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Police Department, $1279 88; William Whitley, $150; Drayton & Durant, $86 50; Stephen Quaife, $63; Jacob Erwin, $54 74; . F. Richardson, $41 50; J B. Stone, $30; Hugh Billingsley, $23; Hugh Reilly, $19 94; J. F. Richardson, $ 6 50; Mrs. Ann Eaton, $16 50; E. Pray, $14 91, David Bedford, $13; James Polan, $11; R. B. Earle & Co, $9 13; Keeney & Halladay, $8 57; William B. Dunning, $8, and $2 70; Keeney & Halladay, $6 16, and A. Love $6.

A claim of Keeney & Halladay, amounting to $219 30, presented and referred to the committee on streets August 3, 1858, was reported correct by said committee for $217 55, and that amount ordered paid.

A claim of I. B. & D E. Culver, amounting to $90 75, presented and referred to the special committee on Van Vorst Square and committee on public grounds and buildings July 6, 1858, was reported correct by said committee for $85 75, and that amount ordered paid.

A claim of R. B. Earle & Co, amounting to $2 06, presented and referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings, August 3, 1858, was reported correct by said committee, for $1 31, and that amount ordered paid

The committee on public grounds and buildings to whom were referred May 18, 1858, the claim of Smith Mead, amounting to $70 56, for work and materials at Hose Carriage House No. 4, and on the 20th July, 1858, the claim of Smith Mead, amounting to $40 83, for work and materials on said house, reported that there is due on said bills a balance amounting to $52, and recommending that said amount

be ordered paid. The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The City Clerk presented a report setting forth that Ald. William Roosevelt of the Fourth Ward had this day filed his resignation as an Alderman. The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report setting forth that on the 29th July, 185-, the annual tax ordinance was presented to his Honor the Mayor for his approval, and has not been acted on by him. The report was received and ordered filed.

The reports of the Recorder, Overseer of the Poor, and Superintendent of the Alms House, for the quarter ending July 31st, 1 58, were presented, received, and ordered to be published in the Corporation paper.

The Committee on Sewers to whom were referred June 15th, 1858, the petition of A. Barricklo and others, for the construction of a culvert on the corner of Morris and Greene streets; July 6th, 1858, the petition of W. L. Broking for the extension of the Newark avenue sewer, and of W. L Broking and others for the construction of a sewer in South Ninth street, and on the 20th July last, the petition of John S. Mark and others for the construction of a sewer in Railroad avenue, and John J. Bouton and others for the construction of a sewer in South Seventh street, reported back said applications and recommended that they be referred to the Board of Water Commissioners, with instructions to communicate to the Common Council the estimate and description required by the 3d section of the sewer ordinance, approved June 17, 1858. The reports were received, and the recommendation contained in each was adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred, May 11th, 1858, the petition of Owen Rourke to have cancelled the sale of his lot 15, Railroad avenue, in block 89, made June 23, 1856, for taxes of 1855, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made by this Corporation June 23, 1856, for taxes of 1855, of lot 15 Railroad avenue, in block 89, to John Patten, Jr., be cancelled of record by the City Clerk, for the reason that the owner of said lot, as set forth in his petition, presented to the Common Council May 11th, 1858, paid to the Collector of Taxes the tax bill received from him and containing as the said owner had reason to believe a correct list of his property, but which described another than his own lot; and that a warrant for the purchase money together with interest thereon from the date of sale, at the rate of seven per cent. per annum be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser John Patten, Jr. and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale for said lot. The report was received and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred July 6th, 1858, the petition of Thomas Carey, asking to have cancelled the sale of premises assessed as parts of lots 2, 3, 4 and 5, in block 251, sold for taxes of 1855, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made by this Corporation for taxes of 1855, of lot known as parts of lots Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5, in block No. 251, Van Vorst Township Map, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that the owner of said lot as set forth in his petition presented to the Common Council on the 6th July, 1 58, paid to the Collector of Taxes the amount due for taxes of 1855, and the same have been paid into the City Treasury, and that a warrant for the purchase money together with the interest thereon from the date of said sale, at the rate of seven per centum per annum, be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale for said lot.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance to whom was referred July 20, 1858, the petition of Mrs. R. A. Durfee asking to have cancelled the sale of lot 61, in block 31, sold for taxes of 1855, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made by this Corporation for taxes of 1855, of lot 61, block 31, York street, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that the owner of said lot paid to the Collector of Taxes the amount due for taxes of 1855, and the same has been paid into the City Treasury, and that a warrant for the purchase money together with the interest thereon from the date of said sale at the rate of seven per centum per annum be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance to whom was referred July 6, 1 58, the petition of Rebecca Isbills asking to have cancelled the sale of lots No. 16 South 8th street, lots D. E. and F. Newark avenue, and lot 1 South 7th street, sold for taxes for the year 1857, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made by this Corporation for taxes of 1 57, of lot No. 16, South 8th street, and lots No. D. E. and F, Newark avenue, and lot No. 1, South 7th street, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk, for the reason that the owner of said lots as set forth in her petition presented to the Common Council July 6, 185-, paid to the Collector of Taxes the amount due for taxes of 1 57, and that a warrant for the purchase money together with the interest thereon from the date of said sale at the rate of seven per centum per annum be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale for said lots. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance to whom was referred July 6, 1858, a communication of George E. Cutter asking to have cancelled the sale of lot No. 211, bl No. 196, Newark avenue, sold for taxes of 1857, on the 7th June, 1858, presented a report thereon accompanied by the followidg resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made by this Corporation for taxes of the year 1857, of lot No 211, bl 196 Newark avenue, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that the owner of said lot paid to the Collector of Taxes the amount due on said lot for taxes of 1-57, and that the taxes on said lot was erroneously returned as unpaid by the Collector of Taxes and the same having been paid into the City Treasury and that a warrant for the purchase money together with the interest thereon from the date of said sale at the rate o seven per cent per annum be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred August 3d, 1858, the petition of Thomas Lawless for a license to peddle fish, vegetables, &c., &c., presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit, and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Thomas Lawless, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred August 3d, 185-, the petition of Thomas Lynch for a license to keep a Junk Shop, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted (in addition to the one he already has) to Thomas Lynch to keep a Junk Shop at No. eleven Railroad avenue, in the Second ward, on his paying the usual fees for a junk shop license, that the bond which accompanied his petition presented August 3, 1 58, be approved and filed in the Comptroller's office. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Hankins, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Erwin, Hardenbergh, and Van Vorst

Absent.—Alderman Earle.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 2d, 1 58, the petition of Timothy Deegan, for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Timothy Deegan, to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 9 Montgomery street, in the 2d Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Er-

win, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Earle.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 2d 1858, the petition of W. L. Broking, for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to W. L. Broking to keep an Inn and Tavern at No 229 Newark avenue, in the 3d ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nay—President Thurston.

Absent—Alderman Earle.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 2d, 1858, the petition of John Hunter for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Hunter to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 177 Warren street, in the Second Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston and Alderman Decker.

Absent—Alderman Earle.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 2, 1858, the petition of Hugh Reilly for a license to keep an inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Hugh Reilly to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 342 South Seventh street, in the Third Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Decker, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Alderman Earle.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 2, 1858, the petition of Patrick Corrigan for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Corrigan to keep an inn and tavern in Newark avenue, in the Third Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies, and Wickware

Nays.—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Hankins, and Van Vorst.

Absent—Alderman Earle.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 2d, 1858, the petition of Philip Smyth, for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Philip Smyth to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 269 Railroad avenue in the 3d Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Harkins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Alderman Earle.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 6th 1858, the petition of John Kennedy, for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Kennedy to keep an Inn and Tavern at No 306 South Seventh street in the 4th ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Decker, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Alderman Earle.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred June 15, 1858, the petition of Owen McCue for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Owen McCue to keep an inn and tavern at corner Grove and Morgan streets, in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Decker, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Alderman Earle.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 6, 1858, the petition of H. H. Linneman for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to H. H. Linneman, to keep an inn and tavern, at No 368 Grove street, in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Alderman Earle.

The committee on schools to whom was referred on the 3d inst, the subject of an increase of salaries of teachers in the public schools, presented an adverse report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Common Council do not concur in the action of the Board of Education relative to the increase of salaries as set forth in their communication bearing date June 15, 1858.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the committees on laws and ordinances be instructed to draft and report an ordinance for the speedy abatement of nuisances and the protection of the public health.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman J. M. Brown and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings are hereby instructed to advertise for proposals to fill up to the established grade Hamilton Square.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on laws and ordinances be requested to report to the Common Council whether any ordinance exists relative to the storage of saltpetre or other combustible matter within the city limits, and if upon enquiry they shall find no such ordinance exists that they be thereupon requested to draft one and report it to the Board.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the ordinance presented July 6, 1858, entitled "an ordinance providing for the maintenance of a work house and alms house in Jersey City" was taken up for consideration.

The ordinance was amended. On a motion made by Alderman Voorhies, viz: to amend the 19th rule by adding at the

and the words "or their parents, relatives, or guardians may desire."

The yeas and nays were ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Decker, and J. M. Brown, and resulted as follows:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Erwin, Hankins and Tilden.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke and Earle.

The ordinance was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Decker, Erwin, Hankins and Tilden.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke and Earle.

On motion of Alderman Hankins it was

Resolved, That the Board of Education be requested to place the salaries of the Principals in the Public Schools at one thousand dollars each.

Alderman Erwin, Clarke and Tilden were appointed by the President the Special Committee under the resolution of the 31 instant, to procure official emblems.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE FOR QUARTER ENDING JULY 31, 1858.

The following report was presented to the Common Council August 3, 1858, and ordered to be published in the Corporation paper.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, August 9th, 1858.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Report made by the Chief of Police exhibiting the number of persons apprehended by the police for crimes, misdemeanors and other offences together with their age, place of birth, color, profession and degree of education, from the first day of May, 1858, to the first day of August, 1858, inclusive.

OFFENCES.	May.	June.	July.	No.
Attempt to kill	1			1
Assault and Battery	4	8	15	27
Assaulting Officers	2	1		2
Attempting to steal	2			3
Abandonment		1		1
Burglary	2	2	3	7
Bastardy			1	1
Constructive larceny	1			1
Disorderly conduct	7	7	3	17
Escaped Convict			1	1
Exposure of person		1	1	2
Fighting in the streets	9	3		12
Grand Larceny	4	4	4	12
Intoxication and disorderly conduct	35	32	46	113
Intoxication	40	27	12	79
Insanity			1	1
Malicious Mischief	2	1		3
Petit Larceny	10	9	5	6
Picking Pockets	1	2	5	8
Passing Counterfeit money		1		1
Perjury	1			1
Robbery	1			1
Rape			2	3
Suspicion of Burglary			3	3
Selling diseased meat	2			2
Vagrancy	12	5	7	24
Violation Corporation Ordinances	4	8	9	21
Total to end of quarter	140	112	117	369

Age, place of birth, color, profession and degree of education, classified as follows:

Age from 10 years to 20	63
" 20 " 30	102
" 30 " 40	110
" 40 " 50	84
" over 50	10
Total	369
Place of Birth—United States	7
" Ireland	253
" England	14
" Scotland	5
" Germany	7
" Other places	3
Total	369
Color—White	367
" Black	2
Total	369
Profession—Have Trades	107
No Trades	262
Total	369
Degree of Education—Read and Write	170
" " Read	3
" " Write	1
" " Neither	195
Total	369

Report showing the amount of property and monies taken from prisoners and lodgers and at the proper time restored, from the first day of May, 1858, to the first day of August, 1858, inclusive.

Property—Four Silver Watches; Monies, $194 26, and divers other articles.

Report showing the number of persons arrested for felonies and other offences from the first day of May 1858, to the first day of August 1858, and by whom such arrests were made.

Whole number arrested, 369.

By whom arrested:—

Chief—Intoxication, and disorderly conduct, 2; burglary, 1; suspicion of burglary, 3; grand larceny, 1; assault and battery, 1; exposure of person 1; vagrancy 1; escaped convict 1—total, 11.

Aid Towle—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 5; intoxication 3; burglary 1; grand larceny 4; perjury 1; rape 1; petit larceny 5; violating coporation ordinance 2—total, 20.

Aid Ayres—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 1; intoxication 2; burglary 1; assault and battery 1; bastardy 1; grand larceny 1; petit larceny 3; vagrancy 1; disorderly conduct 2—total, 13.

Smith—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 7; intoxication 2; suspicion of burglary 1; disorderly conduct 2; assault and battery 1; grand larceny 2; petit larceny 1; violating corporation ordinance 1; selling diseased meat 1, burying diseased meat 1—total, 19.

O'Donnel—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 3; intoxication 2; picking pockets 2; disorderly conduct 2—total, 9.

Chazotte—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 2; intoxication 5; assault and battery 3—total, 10.

Jaquins—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 3; intoxication 3; violating corporation ordinance 3; fighting in the streets 2; burglary 1; disorderly conduct 2; vagrancy 1; malicious mischief 1—total, 16.

J. L. Ayres—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 6; intoxication 4; petit larceny 3; fighting in the streets 1; malicious mischief 1; assault and battery 1—total, 16.

Moulds—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 5; intoxication 6; petit larceny 1; vagrancy 1 robbery 1—total, 14.

Strong—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 6; intoxication 1; fighting in the streets 3; picking pockets 4; violation of corporation ordinance 1; assault and battery 2; attempt to steal 2; assaulting officer 1—total, 20.

Callahan—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 1; intoxication 1; vagrancy 1; assault and battery 1; exposure of person 1—total, 5.

McLaughlin—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 2; intoxication 2; petit larceny 2; vagrancy 2; assult and battery 1; violating corporation ordinance 1—total, 10.

Davis—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 3; intoxication 4; fighting in the streets 1; disorderly conduct 1—total, 9.

Ward—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 3; intoxication 1; petit larceny 1—total, 5.

Van Riper—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 2; intoxication 2; passing counterfeit money 1; insanity 1 assault and battery 1; malicious mischief, 1—total, 8.

Chase—Intoxication and disorderly conduct. 8; intoxication 2; attempt to kill, 1; burglary, 2; assault and battery 1; violation Corporation Ordinance, 3 –total, 17.

Baldwin—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 6; intoxication, 6; grand larceny, 1; assault and battery, 1; assaulting officer, 1; petit larceny, 3—total, 18.

Killcauley—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 4; intoxication, 2; petit larceny, 1; violation Corporation Ordinance, 4—total, 11.

Carroll—Int xication and disorderly conduct, 4; intoxication, 1; grand larceny, 1—total, 6.

Holliway—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 1; assault with knife, 1- -total, 2.

Murphy—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 5; intoxication, 4; assault and battery, 4; petit larceny, 1; vagrancy, 1; disorderly conduct, 2; violation Corporation Ordinance, 2; fighting in the streets, 1; breach of trust, 1—total, 22.

Hurly—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 4; intoxication, 2; petit larceny, 1—total, 7.

Fisher—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 2; grand larceny, 1—total, 3. .

Daly—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 2.

Townsend—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 1.

Robbins—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 1.

Sanford—Assault and battery, 1.

Schul—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 1.

McNamara—Intoxication and disorderly conduct. 7; intoxication. 1; disorderly conduct, 1; assaulting officer, 1; vagrancy. 1· assault and battery, 1—total. 12.

Valiele—intoxication and disorderly conduct 1.

Duffy—Disorderly conduct, 1.

Smith—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 1.

Van Voorhies—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 1; intoxication, 2; grand larceny, 1; selling diseased meat, 1—total, 5.

Graham—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 1; intoxication, 2; petit larceny, 1; vagrancy, 1—total, 5.

Thompson—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 1; intoxication, 2; assault and battery, 1—total, 4.

Groves—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 1; intoxication, 1; vagrancy, 2, burglary, 2; violation of Corporation Ordinance, 1—total, 7.

Berry—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 1; vagrancy 1—total. 2

Rourke—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 1; abandonment, 1; disorderly conduct, 1; assault and battery, 1; violation Corporation Ordinance, 2; vagrancy, 1—total, 7.

Topping—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 1; intoxication, 1—total. 2.

Robinson—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 2; assault and battery, 1, vagrancy. 1—total, 4.

Brally—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 2: assault and battery, 1; fighting in the streets, 1; picking pockets 1, —total, 5.

Seely—Intoxication and disorderly conduct. 1; intoxication, 1; disorderly conduct, 1; vagrancy, 3; fighting in the streets, 1—total, 7.

Rean—Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 1; intoxication 5; disorderly conduct, 1; exposure of person, 1; petit larceny, 1; fighing in the streets, 1—total, 10. Total, 369.

Report made by Chief of Police, showing the number of persons accommodated with lodgings at the Station House, together with their age, place of birth, color, profession and degree of education from the first day of May, 1858, to the first day of August, 1858, inclusive.

Whole number of persons accommodated with lodgings, 824, as follows:

For the month of May, 1858	451
" " June, 1858	207
" " July, 1858	166
Total	824

Age, place of birth, color, profession and degree of education, classified as follows:

Age—under 10 years	3
" from 10 to 20	77
" " 20 to 30	274
" " 30 to 40	260
" " 40 to 50	145
" over 50	65
Total	824
Place of Birth—United States	120
" Ireland	428
" England	94
" Scotland	10
" Germany	118
" France	1
" Other Places	23
Total	824
Color—White	818
Black	6
Total	824
Profession—Have Trades	425
No Trades	399
Total	824
Degree of Education—Read and Write	471
" Read	17
" Write	2
" Neither	334
Total	824

Report showing the number of violations of Corporation Ordinances, which were sent to the Recorder for prosecution.

Violation of the Sunday Law	9
Pedling without a License	2
Selling and buying Junk	2
Bathing within the limits of the City	8
Total	21

Report showing the number of days lost by sickness, with and without leave, from the first day of May, 1858, to the first day of August, 1858.

Number of days lost by sickness	4
" " with leave	5
" " Without leave	10½
Total	19½

All of which is respectfully submitted by

BENJ. HAINES, Jr., Chief of Police.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE ALMS HOUSE, FOR THE QUARTER ENDING JULY 31ST, 1858.

The following report was presented to the Common Council on the 10th inst., received. and ordered to be published in the Corporation paper.

GEO. W. CASSEDY. City Clerk.

City Clerk's Office, Jersey City, August 14, 1858.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—The Superintendent of the Alms House respectfully presents to your honorable body his quarterly report for the quarter ending July 31st, 1858.

The number of persons remaining and admitted within the above period in the institution is:

Male adults	36
Female adults	44
Male children	39
Female children	31
Foundlings	3
	153

The following will show the discharges and deaths.

Male adults discharged	19
Female adults discharged	26
Children discharged	30
	75
Male adults died	2
Children died	3
	5—80
Remaining in the institution July 31st, 1858	73

The expenses of the institution within the above period

were $1049 71, on the following accounts:

Groceries and provisions	$ 470 50
Coal	40 50
Meat	190 50
Horse and cow feed	50 00
Clothing	51 80
Dry Goods	7 93
Soft Soap	11 25
Horse shoeing	4 00
Straw for beds	9 85
Lumber	7 88
Stationery for School, etc	13 63
Wagon and harness	113 00
Shoe finding and leather	3 00
Tin and hardware	7 10
Plumbing	6 22
Plastering and stone	8 75
Repairing bedstead	2 00
Graves	15 00
	$1049 71
Goods, etc-, on hand	310 00
The actual cost to support the Alms House within the above period	$ 739 71

The health of the inmates has been good considering their condition when admitted. The adults consist of blind, lame, and such as were worn out with hard living and old age.—The children are well.

There has been no work done in the work house for some time for want of work. We have set all the men to work that are able, where we have employment for them by which we are able to keep them steadily at work.

The past winter we had a large number of paper bags made and twenty-two 33-100 dollars worth were sold—the remainder is on hand, which will be sold soon, also two thousand five hundred baskets were made, but not sold yet.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM WHITLEY,
Superintendent of Alms House.

Jersey City, July 31st, 1858.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR, FOR THE QUARTER ENDING JULY 31, 1858.

The following report was presented to the Common Council on the 10th instant, received and ordered to be published in the Corporation Paper.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

City Clerk's Office, Jersey City, Aug. 14, 1858.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

GENTLEMEN:—The Overseer of the Poor respectfully presents his quarterly report, for the quarter ending July 31st, 1858, from which it will appear that 356 adults, and 411 children, have received relief in groceries, provisions, &c.

The expenses of the department have been $840 87, on the following account:

Groceries and Provisions	$767 24
Children to nurse	10 00
Transportation of Paupers	16 00
Travellers fed at the Almshouse	13 13
Interments	34 50
	$840 87

There are at this time twenty families who are receiving assistance once a week, to a small amount. The same are widows, with from three to five children each. The work which they can do is very scarce, which causes them to be without the means to provide for themselves and children. Therefore, it becomes necessary that the city should render some aid.

There has been a number of families removed to different parts of the country, where they have obtained employment. It appears there is not sufficient employment for the number of working men and women we have in our city.

In the distribution of the charities of the city, I have acted with a view to the best interest of all concerned, in an economical distribution of the public money, in relieving the pressing necessities of the distressed, and in this course, I hope to have the approbation of the Mayor and Common Council, and of the community in general.

WM. WHITLEY, Overseer of the Poor.

Jersey City, July 31st, 1858.

REPORT OF THE RECORDER, FOR THE QUARTER ENDING JULY 31, 1858.

The following report was presented to the Common Council on the 10th instant, received and ordered to be published in the Corporation Paper.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

City Clerk's Office, Jersey City, Aug. 14, 1858.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

In pursuance of the Charter and obligation imposed upon me, as Recorder of the city of Jersey City, I most respectfully beg leave to submit to your honorable body, my quarterly report, ending July 31st, 1858.

There were arrested by the City Police in the month of May, 1858, one hundred and twenty-nine persons, who were disposed of as follows:

21 Fined	$2 each	$42 00
1 "	5 "	5 00
35 Committed to the City Prison.		
17 "	County Workhouse.	
5 "	County Jail.	
5 Held to Bail.		
1 Committed to the Alms House.		
44 Discharged.		

In the month of June, one hundred and sixteen were arrested and disposed of as follows:

5 Fined	$1 each	$5 00
18 "	2 "	36 00
1 "	10 "	10 00
26 Committed to City Prison.		
14 "	County Workhouse.	
8 "	County Jail.	
8 Held to Bail.		
76 Discharged.		

In the month of July, one hundred and two were arrested and disposed of as follows:

11 Fined	$2 each	$22 00
1 "	20 "	20 00
32 Committed to City Prsion.		
9 "	County Workhouse.	
7 "	County Jail.	
13 Held to Bail.		
1 Committed to Almshouse.		
28 Discharged.		

The total amount of fines received during the quarter ending July 31st, being one hundred and forty dollars. I have paid the same to the City Treasurer.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID BEDFORD, Recorder.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday August 17th, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock, P. M.

In the absence of the President, the board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present, Aldermen Clarke, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Absent, President Thurston and Aldermen J. M Brown W. R. Brown, Decker, Earle, McBride, McLaughlin and Wickware.

Less than a quorum being present, on motion of Alderman Hankins, it was

Resolved, That the Board now adjourn, to meet again at the Common Council Chamber, on Wednesday the 18th, at 7 1-2 P. M.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Wednesday, August 18th, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M

Present—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh McBride, Tilden and Voorhies.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Earle, McLaughlin, Van Vorst and Wickware.

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 3d, 1858, and of the adjourned regular meeting of August 10th, 1858, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of James Walsh to have cancelled the sale of hi lot No. 2 South 7th street in block 245, made July 27th 1855, for taxes of 1854, the same having been previously paid to the Collector of Arrears of Taxes. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of William White to have an apportionment made of taxes of 1857, upon his portion of lots 12, 13, and 14. Jersey street, in block 56. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of Michael McKernan for the privilege of redeeming his lot 191 Newark avenue, sold to the City Treasurer, August 4th, 1856, for taxes of 1855. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of J. R. Schuyler and others for the removal of the City Prison from the present location in Sussex street. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Petition of William Joquins and Chauncey B. Jaquins for a license to keep a restaurant at No. 23 and 25 Montgomery street in the Second ward. Referred to committee on licenses.

Petition of Patrick Meer for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables. Referred to committee on licenses.

Petition of Edward McGonnell for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit, and vegetables. Referred to committee on licenses.

Petition of B. O. Edge and others to have receiving basin and culvert built at the south east corner of Greene and Montgomery streets. Referred to the Board of Water Commissioners with instructions to furnish the estimate and description required under the new ordinance relative to sewers, approved June 17th, 1853.

Petition of George McLaughlin and others to have a sewer constructed from the junction of Henderson street through Newark avenue and Montgomery street to the Hudson River with the tributaries, etc.

Referred to the Board of Water Commissioners, with instructions to furnish the estimate and description required under the new ordinance relative to sewers, approved June 17th, 1858.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of John Pringle $69 50; B. F. Woolsey, $27 79; Samuel Hetherington, $14 50; Jersey City Gas Light Co., $12 04; Peter Hall, $145; John Pringle, $3 60, and John Marshall, 75 cents. Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Jersey City Gas Light Co., $66 22; and John Marshal, $44 10. Referred to the committee on fire and water.

Of Ward & McGown, $33 77; Hoffman & Wood, $9 25; and John Marshall, $1. Referred to the committee on alms.

Of Alexander Love, $10, and $8 50. Referred to the committee on streets.

Of Alexander Love, $7 50. Referred to the committee on public health.

Of John Marshall, $3. Referred to the committee on police.

Of John Kelly, $3. Referred to the special committee on Fourth of July celebration.

Of John Marshall, $1. Referred to the committee on salaries, offices and elections.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Jersey City Gas Light Company, $987 30; George W. Cassedy, $75; Fidelity Division, $75; W. H. Gautier & Co. $31 56; Michael McGuire, $22; Patrick Torney, $13 75; Hector McMullen, $12 50; Laurence Owens, $11; John Nicholson, $11; William Ryan, $11; John Garvey, $11; James Foran, $11, and I. B & D. E. Culver, $5.

A claim of Patrick Garvey, amountsng to $24 75, presented and referred to the committee on streets at this meeting was reported correct by said committee for $22 75, and that amount ordered paid.

A claim of Nathaniel Ellis amounting to $24 18, presented and referred to the committee on police August 3d, 1858, was reported correct by said committee for that amount and ordered paid.

Alderman Decker being the only member of the committee on licenses present requested that a member of the Board be appointed to act on that committee with him for the evening. Whereupon Alderman Clarke was appointed.

Alderman W. R. Brown being the only member of the committee on streets present requested that a member of the Board be appointed to act on that committee with him for the evening. Whereupon Alderman McBride was appointed.

The committee on streets to whom were referred July 20, 185 , the claims of John Van Vorst, William Keeney and Andrew Clerk amounting to $109, each for services as Commissioners in the opening of Montgomery street reported said bills correct for $10 each. The report was received, the claims were referred to the Corporation Attorney to report as to whether the Common Council have the power to pay said Commissioners more than ten dollars each.

A communication was presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, containing a return of the expulsion of Julian P. Cazottee by Engine Co. No. 1, for non-payment of dues, confirmed by the Commissioners of the Jersey City Department.

The communication was received, and the action of the Commissioners was approved and confirmed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of the filing by the Commissioners of estimate and Assessment in the matter of the opening of Montgomery street of their report and map. The report was received and ordered filed.

The following requisition was presented from the Board of Education:

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:—

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at the City Clerk's office on Tuesday evening, August 10, 1858.

It was Resolved, by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays being taken, that requisition be made upon the Common Council as follows: in favor of John Van Vorst for rent Colored School to 1st inst., $18 75, and in favor of Sheldon, Blakeman & Co. for books, stationery, etc, to May:

For School No. 1,	$215 77
For School No. 2,	172 76
For Colored School,	3 73

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, August 17, 1858.

The requisition was received and warrants ordered to be drawn in favor of the claimants respectively named for the amount of their claims.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances presented a report and the following resolutions on the remonstrance referred to them July 6th, 1858, of William Chilver and others against the proposed plan of assessment for building a sewer in Essex, Van Vorst and Grand streets &c.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Common Council they have no power to give relief to parties upon whose property any unjust assessment has been made by the Water Commissioners for the construction of a sewer.

Resolved, That the Common Council are of opinion that the property along the line of Grand street should not be assessed for the reconstruction of any sewer unless the property owners along said street are benefitted by such re-construction of a sewer there, and and in case it should appear that they will be benefitted by such re-construction of a sewer such assessment should be made in proportion to the benefit received

Resolved, That the Common Council recommend that the Board of Water Commissioners proceed to ascertain what benefit, if any, will be received by the property owners along Grand street between Van Vorst and Henderson streets by constructing a new sewer there and that if it appear any benefit will be received theteby by the said property owners to make their assessment upon the property there in proportion to the extent of such benefit realized by them.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The committee on alms presented a report in reference to a contract for supplying coal for the alms department accompanied by three sealed proposals and the following resolution :

Resolved, That the three sealed proposals reported to this Common Council by the committee on alms, for furnishing three hundred tons of coal for the use of the alms department be opened and read. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from Randall & Morrell, Richard A. Wood and Mynard Sharp accompanied by the required bonds.

The following resolution was presented by the committee on alms and adopted :

Resolved, That the three proposals, with the accompanying bonds, for a contract to furnish three hundred tons of coal for the use of the alms department, which have been opened, and read, at this meeting of the Common Council, be referred to the committee on alms with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest bidder if the committee deem it to the interests of the city to do so, and that the Mayor and City Clerk, on the requisition of the committee on alms, be empowered on the part of the city to execute under the city seal such contracts as may be prepared by the Corporation Attorney for the furnishing of said coal, after the said contracts shall have been executed by the party to whom such contracts may be awarded.

The Committee on Streets to whom were refered August 3d, 1858, with authority to contract with the lowest bidder &c., four proposals for the contract to sweep and clean for one year the public streets and avenues of the city presented a report accompanied by the following resolution and contracts executed by John Coar.

Resolved, That the proposal of John Coar to sweep and clean the public streets and avenues of the city for one year, be accepted, he being the lowest bidder for the contract who is ready and willing to enter into the same; that the contracts executed by him and submitted to the Common Council this evening be executed on the part of the city by His Honor the Mayor and the City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city that the bond which accompanied John Coar's proposal executed by Miles McCartin and Thos D. Jordan as sureties be approved and with one of said contracts be filed in the Comptroller's office ; and the duplicate contract be delivered to said John Coar and that the bonds which accompanied the remaining three proposals be returned to the principals named therein on their applying for the same to the City Clerk.

The report was received and the resolution was adopted,

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred June 15th 1854, the petition of Robert C. Bacot and others, to have Morgan street between Prospect and Grove streets regulated &c., presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following entitled ordinances viz :

" An ordinance to provide for regulating, grading, paving, and laying bridge stone cross-walks Morgan street from the west side of Prospect street to the east side of Grove street, and for setting and re-setting curb and gutter, and flagging the sidewalks and cross-walks were necessary."

The report was received, and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a report setting forth that they have advertised for proposals to grade Hamilton square, and accompanied by two sealed proposals received in answer to their advertisement and the following resolution :

Resolved, That the two sealed proposals reported to this Common Council by the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, for furnishing the earth and for filling in Hamilton Square to the established grade be opened and read.

The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from Alexander Love and William Keeney, accompanied by the required bonds.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That the two proposals with the accompanying bonds, for a contract to furnish the earth and fill in to the established grade, Hamilton Square, which have been opened and read at this meeting of the Common Council be referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest bidder if the Committee deem it to the interest of the city to do so ; and that on the requisition of said Committee, the Mayor and City Clerk be empowered on he part of the city to execute under the Corporate Seal of the City, such contracts as may be prepared by the Corporation Attorney for the furnishing of such earth and filling to the established grade, Hamilton square, after the same shall have been executed by the party to whom said contract may be awarded.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred on the 10th instant, the petition of Charles Graham for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit, and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit, and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate Seal of the City, to Charles Graham, on his paying the license fees required by the Ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Special Committee appointed to procure a plan for the improvement of Washington square, presented a plan which was approved, adopted, and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Voorhies and adopted :

Resolved, That the Special Committee on Washington square be and they are hereby authorized to advertise for proposals for the construction of an iron fence around said square, according to the plan adopted by the Common Council, for laying out said square.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Jersey City papers for the length of time required by the City Charter a list of property still unredeemed, sold by the Corporation of Jersey City November 8th, 1856, for water rents due prior to December 20th, 1855.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman W. R. Brown, and adopted :

Resolved, That the Commtttee on Streets be authorized to do all necessary work on the streets until the next regular meeting of the Common Council.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That a Special Election be held in the Fourth ward of Jersey City, on Tuesday the 31st instant, for an Alderman to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of William Roosevelt.

Resolved, That the said election be held at the House of Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2, in Erie street; that the poll be opened at seven o'clock in the morning and closed at seven o'clock in the evening ; be conducted by the officers of election in said ward, and be governed in all respects by the same rules and regulations that govern the Annual Charter Elections.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Fourth ward is hereby instructed to post in five of the most public places in the said Fourth ward, for eight days prior to the said Special Election, notices of the same.

Resolved, That a Committee of four members of this Board be now appointed to canvass the returns of said Special Election, and the said Canvassers be required to meet at the City Clerk's office on Thursday the 2d September next, at five o'clock in the afternoon, to canvass said returns, and that the City Clerk be the Clerk of said Board of Canvassers.

Resolved, That the City Clerk furnish the Clerk of the Fourth ward with a copy of the above resolutions.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the Canvassers be appointed by the President.

Whereupon the President appointed Aldermen Hardenbergh, Decker, Hankins, and Tilden as such Canvassers.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the following fines be imposed upon the members of the Common Council as hereafter mentioned :

Absent at roll call, 12 1-2 cents.

Absent upon the passage of an ordinance, 25 cents.

Absent during the evening, 25 cents.

Resolved, That the Marshall be requested to keep an accurate account of all fines imposed and report the same to the Board at the first regular meetings in November, February, May and August, who shall thereupon order what disposition shall be made of the same.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That a committee of one from each ward be appointed by the President of the Common Council to take in charge the matter of a complimentary dinner to Captain Hudson and the officers of the United States Steamship Niagara and that upon the acceptance of said invitation the City Clerk be requested to notify the members of the Board of such acceptance and that the City Clerk be requested to act as Clerk of the committee.

Alderman Hardenbergh, Decker, Hankins, and Tilden were appointed the committee.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the President of the Board was added to the committee.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Wm R. Brown and adopted :

Resolved, That the penalty of twenty dollars imposed by Recorder Beekford on Patrick Weldon for buying and selling Junk without a license on the 10th day of July 1858, be and the same is hereby remitted, and that a warrant for the amount aforesaid be drawn according to law payable to said Patrick Welden for the amount of twenty dollars as aforesaid

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Decker and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be and are hereby authorized to have what hose there may in the Fire Department properly slushed and repaired at an expense not to exceed the sum of thirty dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of Smith Mead for fifty eight dollars and ninety cents, that being the balance due said Mead for work done on Engine House for Passaic Hose.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings are authorized to have the roofs of No 1 Engine, No. 5 Engine, and Hook and Ladder No. 2, the roof of each house covered with galvanic cement, cost not to exceed fifty dollars for the three roofs.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Clarke and adopted .

Resolved, That the committee on lamps be and they are hereby authorized to have the lamps lighted if they deem it necessary on such nights as the Gas Company under their contract do not light.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Collector of Arrears of Taxes.

Alderman Clarke and Hankins were appointed and acted as tellers.

Two unsuccessful ballotings were had as follows, after which on motion of Alderman Erwin further ballotings were postponed.

First Balloting.

J B. Cleveland received six votes.
Peter P. Post received two votes.
Henry E. Insley received one vote.

Second Balloting.

J B. Cleveland received four votes.
P. P. Post received five votes.
S. R. Tyrrell received one vote.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies the Board proceeded to the appointment of a policemen from the first ward.

The same tellers acted.

Two unsuccessful ballotings were had as follows After which on motion of Alderman Hankins further balloting was postponed.

First Balloting.

Stephen Bennett received four votes.
Alfred Berry received two votes.
Peter Rourke received two votes.
Samuel Bennett received one vote.
William Reen received one vote.

Second Balloting,

Stephen Bennett received four votes.
John Davis received one vote.
Peter Rourke received two votes.
William Reen received one vote.
Alfred Berry received one vote.
One blank was cast

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Special meeting at the City Clerk's office, Saturday, August 28th, 1858, at 5 o'clock P. M.

Present, President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride' McLaughlin, Tilden, and Voorhies.

Absent— Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Van Vorst and Wickware.

The call of the meeting was read by the City Clerk, and is as follows :

To the Clerk of the Common Council of Jersey City :

Dear Sir: Please call an extra meeting of the Common Council of this city, to be held at the City Clerk's office at 5 o'clock on Saturday afternoon, August 28th, 1858, to receive the report of the Committee instructed to invite Capt. Hudson and other officers of the Niagara to a public dinner, and to take into further consideration the acceptance of said invitation.

Your's, very respectfully,
D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

10 A. M., Aug. 28th 1858.

Alderman Hardenbergh from the Committee appointed ts tender the hospitalities of Jersey City to Capt. Hudson and officers of the steamship Niagara, verbally reported that a correspondence had taken place between them and the Committee appointed to invite the officers of the Niagara to partake of a public dinner, and submitted copies of said correspondence which were read and ordered to be entered at large on the minutes of proceedings of this Common Council, and are as follows :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Jersey City, August 16th, 1858.

To CAPT. W. L. HUDSON and officers of the U. S. Frigate Niagara.

Gentlemen—While we make our heartfelt response to the elevating sentiment of Capt. Hudson in inscription of thanks giving to *Him* " who holds the winds in his fists, and the waters in the hollow of his hands," for the successful performance of the part of duty committed to you in laying the Cable for the Atlantic Telegraph, uniting the Continent of America with Europe. and girdling the globe with intelligence conveyed by electric light, the Common Council of this City, appreci ating the invaluable services performed by yon, the anxieties and trials you have endured, and the hardships and discouragements you have encountered, and overcome, as human instruments in the accomplishment of an undertaking so vast in its consequences to the nations of the earth, have adopted unanimously the accompanying resolutions, and have instructed the undersigned to communicate them to you. These contain their desire to honor you with the compliment of a Public Dinner in the name of the people of Jersey City.—The Committee leave with you the selection of the time when the Common Council and citizens may have an opportunity to testify in person, their high appreciation of these enduring labors.

We have the honor to be very respectfully, gentlemen, your obedient servants.

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor,
J. V. THURSTON' Pres. C. C. } Com·
GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Whereas, intelligence has reached us of the success attending the effort to connect Europe and America by means of a submarine telegraph cable. And

Whereas, from its great importance in a social and commercial point of view, in its ultimate bearing upon the great humanfamily, it cannot but be considered as the grandest achievment in the history of time. Therefore

Resolved, That it becomes us as a people to unite our congratulations with other cities throughout our Union in the great work thus accomplished.

Resolved, That upon the evening of the day when the first despatch shall have passed between the Queen of Great Britain and the President of the United States a salute of one hundred guns be fired, and our citizens be requested to illuminate their stores and dwellings.

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor, the President of the Common Council, and the City Clerk be requested to tender in the name and on behalf of the city of Jersey City to Capt Wm. L. Hudson and the officers of the United States Steamship Niagara the compliment of a public dinner, at such time as may best suit their convenience.

CAPT. HUDSON'S REPLY.

Mansion House,
Brooklyn, Aug. 24, 1858.

Gentlemen—It will afford myself and the officers of tht United States Steamship Niagara very great pleasure to visie Jersey City on Friday, Sept 2nd, in compliance with your kind invitation.

I remain gentlemen with great respect,
WM. L. HUDSON,
Capt. U. S. F. Niagara.

To D. S. GREGORY, Mayor,
J. V. THURSTON, Pres. C. C. } Com.
G. W. CASSE DY, City Clerk,

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh :

Resolved, That the sum of twenty five hundred dollars be appropriated for the purpose ot defraying the expenses of the public dinner to Captain Hudson.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Tilden and Earle :

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Van Vorst and Wickware.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh, and unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the special committee be requested to add to their committee from amongst the citizens such members as they may deem necessary to secure an appropriate celebration on the part of Jersey City towards the success of so great and eventful an enterprise as the Submarine Atlantic Cable.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSFDY, City Clerk.

BOARD OF CANVASSERS OF SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE FOURTH WARD.

In compliance with resolutions of the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, passed August 18th, 1858, and approved August 21st, 1858, the Board of Canvassers met at the City Clerk's office on Thursday September 2d, 1858, at five o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of canvassing the returns of a special election held in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City on Tuesday August 31st, 1858, for the election of an Alderman from said Fourth Ward, to fill the vacancy in the Common Council, caused by the resignation of William Roosevelt.

The Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Aldermen Hankins and Tilden, and George W. Cassedy, City Clerk.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Hardenbergh.

Mr. Cornelius T. Frazyer appeared and took his seat as the Judge of Election from the Fourth Ward, to attend the meeting of the Board of Canvassers, and to act as one of its members.

On motion of Alderman Hankins Alderman Tilden was appointed Chairman of the Board.

The Chairman administered to each of the other members of the Board and to the City Clerk the oaths required of them by the City Charter.

Mr. Frazyer administered to the Chairman of the Board the oath required of him by the City Charter, at meetings of the Board of City canvassers of the returns of the Annual Charter Elections.

Thereupon Mr. Frazyer, the Judge of Election from the Fourth Ward, produced the original statement which was delivered to him by the officers of Election in said ward, and the same was laid before the Board

The Board thereupon proceeded to canvass the votes given for Alderman at the Special Election in the Fourth ward, on the 31st August, 1958.

The Board then proceeded to make a statement and final declaration of the name of the person who received the highest number of votes for the office of Alderman from the Fourth ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of William Roosevelt, and to serve for his unexpired term.

Which statement was read by the Clerk and signed by the officers and members of the Board.

On motion of Alderman Hankins it was

Resolved, That the statement of this Board of City Canvassers of the result of the Special Election in the Fourth ward, held on Tuesday August 31st, 1858, be published in the Jersey City papers.

On motion of Mr. Frazyer it was

Resolved, That the Chairman and Clerk of this Board of Canvassers be directed to make out and present to the Common Council for payment the claim of this Board for their services as Canvassers.

The minutes of the Board were then read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Frazyer, the Board of Canvassers then adjourned sine die.

THOS. E. TILDEN,
Chairman of Board of Canvassers.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, Clerk of Board of Canvassers.

A STATEMENT

of the result of a special election held in the Fourth ward of Jersey City, in the County of Hudson, and State of New Jersey, on Tuesday the thirty-first day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight to elect one Alderman from said ward in the place of, and to fill the unexpired term of William Roosevelt resigned, made by the Board of Canvassers appointed for the purpose of canvassing the returns of said special election.

Whole number of names on the poll list, two hundred and forty-two, (242).

Whole number of ballots rejected—none.

FOR ALDERMAN.

Thomas D. Christie received one hundred and sixty-eight (168) votes.

William Howeth received seventy-two (72) votes.

Edward H. Ridgeway received one (1) vote.

George Grooby received one (1) vote.

We do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and correct statement of the result of the special election above mentioned, as the same is exhibited by the statement produced and laid before the Board of Canvassers according to law, that the same exhibits the number of the names of the voters in the poll book at said election, and of the ballots rejected; the name of each person for whom any vote or votes was or were given; the number of votes given for each person for the office of Alderman; as they appear by the statement so produced and laid before the said Board.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this second day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

THOS. E. TILDEN, } Members of the Board
C. M. HANKINS, } of Canvassers of Spe-
C. T. FRAZYER, } cial Election.

Attest—

GEO. W. CASSEDY, Clerk of Board of Canvassers of Special Election.

A STATEMENT

of the determination of the Board of Canvassers relative to a special election held in the Fourth ward of Jersey City, in the County of Hudson, and State of New Jersey, on Tuesday the thirty-first day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, for the election of one Alderman from said Fourth ward, in the place of and to fill the unexpired term of William Roosevelt resigned.

The said Board do determine and declare that at the said special election Thomas D. Christie having received the highest number of votes for the office of Alderman aboAe mentioned, was duly elected av Alderman from the Fourth ward of Jersey City in the place of and to fill the unexpired term of William Roosevelt, resigned.

We do certify that the foregoing is a true, full, and correct statement of the determination of the Board of Canvassers therein mentioned.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this second day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

THOS. E. TILDEN, } Members of Board of
C. M. HANKINS, } Canvassers of Spe-
C. T. FRAZYER, } cial Election.

Attest—

GEO. W. CASSEDY, Clerk of the Board of Canvassers of Special Election.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday September 7th, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock, p. m.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorh es.

Absent—Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 17th, 1858, of the adjourned regular meeting of August 18th, 1858, and of the special meeting of August 28th, 1858, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows :

Petition of Keeney & Halladay to have refunded to them the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, deposited by them in the City Treasury to defray the preliminary expenses in the building of the South Third street sewer. Referred to committee on sewers.

Invitation from Matthew Somers and Jacob R. Pentz to partake of a collation at the Washington Arsenal, Bergen Heights, on Friday the 3d inst., with the crew of the Niagara. Invitation accepted.

Petition of George Seeback for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables. Referred to committee on licenses.

Communication from B. B. Grinnell, asking that the petition presented some months ago, to have culverts constructed on the north and south west corners of York and Greene streets, be taken from the files and referred to the proper committee, etc. Communication and the petition referred to committee on sewers.

Petition of Hugh Reilly and others for the abatement of a nuisance at the intersection of Newark avenue, South Seventh and Monmouth streets, consisting of stagnant water, etc.—Referred to committee on public health.

Communication from John Stratford and others charging Policemen Chancellor W. Chase, John Ayres, and Stephen Bennett, with brutal treatment of a prisoner, and asking that they be removed from the Police Department. Referred to committee on police.

Petition of Seneca Alger and others to have the paving and flagging of South First street continued from No. 247 to Jersey avenue. Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of Henry Miller for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 135 Hudson street in the Second ward. Referred to committee on licenses.

Petition of Homer Ramsdell for correction of his tax bill as paid. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of J. H. Gautier, M. D. and eight other Physicians asking for the removal of the City Prison. Referred to committee on police.

Petition of Dennis Farrell to be appointed a policeman.—Referred to committee on police.

Petition of John Kennedy for permission to redeem his lot No. 2 in block No. 222, sold September 4th, 1856, to the City Treasurer for unpaid assessment. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of Roxana Townsend, widow of Policeman Paul Townsend, deceased, asking that the warrant drawn on the Treasurer in favor of her late husband for services as policeman be altered so as to be made payable to her.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That the warrant drawn in favor of Paul Townsend be cancelled and one for the same amount be drawn in favor of Roxana Townsend.

Petition of John Van Vorst for permission to regulate, pave, and flag all that part of South 5th street lying between Prosepct street and a point two hundred feet east of Grove street where the paving now terminates under the supervision and direction of the Committee on streets and the Street Commissioner ; the petitioner being the owner of all the lots fronting on that part of South 5th street, and agreeing to make the improvement at his own cost, subject to the directions of the Common Council. Referred to Committee on Streets, by whom the following resolution was subsequently reported :

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

The resolution was adopted.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Of R. B. Earle & Co.,$89,40 ; Jacob Erwin, $72,92: Drayton and Durant, $68,17 ; Edward Hope jr , $18,50 ; Hugh Reilly, $18,25 ; James Cassidy, $17,84 ; S. Billington, $16, 25 ; William Culbert, $7,87; William B. Dunning $3,99 ; and Japhet Jardine, $1,55. Referred to the Committee on Alms

Of Thomas Howe, $50 ; $6 10, and $5 ; Cronam and Wetterson, $18 35, $6 80, $2 25, $1 50, and 75 cents ; and J. V. Hardenbergh $5. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of I. B. & D. E. Culver, $31 18 ; Evan Jones, $14 62 ; William B. Dunning, $7 05, $5 25, $2 70, and $1 65. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Of Peter Waggoner $193 ; and Alexander Love, $6. Referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Of R B. Earle & Co, $591 99 ; Hudson County Artillery, $75 ; and Samuel Hetheringtou, $25 30. Referred to the Special Committee on reception of Capt. Hudson.

Of George Smith, $118 79. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Of William B. Dunning, $10 08, and 66 cents. Referred to the Commitee on Finance.

Of J. F. Richardson, $11. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Of Garret Cooper, $10, Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of William W. Lee, $5 90. Referred to Committee on Police.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, refered to their appropriate Committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid viz

Of Police Department, $1324 66 ; James McLaughlin, $322 ; Garret Cooper, $200 ; H. A. Miller,$78 75 ; Fidelity Division, $75 ; J. F. Richardson, $40 ; Nathaniel Ellis, $38 44 : A. B. Reynolds, $37 87 ; Patrick Garvey $32 06 : Michael McGuire, $31 ; Hugh Billingsly,$20 Hector McMullen, $19 37 ; Patrick Toniey $17 81 ; Mrs Ann Eaton, $16 : John Nicholson' $16 ; Lawrence Owen, $15 25 ; James Foran, $15 ; William Ryan, $15 ; John Garvey, $14 25 ; Robert Griglietti, $11 00, Canvassers and Clerk of Special Election in Fourth Ward, $9 50 Edward Murtha, $8 ; Daniel Soule, $8 ; C. T. Frazyer, $8 : and R. S. Tilden, $8.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :—

Of Peter Hall, $145 ; John Pringle, $69 50 ; Jersey City Gas Light Co. : $66 22 ; Daily Telegraph, $40,58 , Ward & McGown, $33 77 : B. F. Woolsey, $27 79 ; Samuel Hetherington, $14 50 ; Jersey City Gas Light Co., $12 04 : Matthias Burbank, $11 ; Alexander Love, $10, $8 50, $7 50 ; John Pringle, $6 60 ; John Marshall $3, $1, and 75 cents.

The special committee on Fourth of July celebration, to whom was referred August 18 1858 , the claim of John Jelly amounting to $3, for ringing bell of Presbyterian Church July 5th 1858, reported against payment of said bill. The report was received and adopted.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the acting Mayor, filed in th City Clerk's office on the 21st ultimo. and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council :

To the honorable Common Council of Jersey City :

Gentlemen—I return without my approval, a resolution passed by your honorable body on the 10th inst , and presented to me by the City Clerk on the 13th inst., granting to W. L. Broking a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 229 Newark avenue, in the Third ward.

My objections to approving the resolution are, that an inn and tavern at the place designated is not required for the entertainment of travelers, which is a prerequisite under the 2d section of the ordinance concerning Inns and Taverns, approved August 18th, 1853 ; and I am satisfied, from my own observation, that the place named is not an inn and tavern, and is not provided with the accommodation for travelers required under the above-referred to ord nance.

J. V. THURSTON, Acting Mayor.

Mayor's Office, Jersey City, Aug. 20, 1858.

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To the Honorable Common Council of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—I return without my approval the resolution passed by your honorable body on the 10th inst., and presented to me by the City Clerk on the 13th inst., granting to Owen McCue a license to keep an inn and tavern at the corner of Grove and Morgan streets, in the Fourth ward.

My objections to approving the resolution are, that an inn and tavern at the place designated is not required for the entertainment of travelers, which is a prerequisite under the 2d section of the ordinance concerning Inns and Taverns, approved August 18th, 1853; and I am satisfied, from my own observation, that the place named is not an inn and tavern, and is not provided with the accommodations for travelers required under the above-referred to ordinance.

J. V. THURSTON, Acting Mayor.

Mayor's Office, Jersey City, Aug. 20, 1858.

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To the Honorable Common Council of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—I return without my approval a resolution passed by your honorable body on the 10th inst., and presented to me by the City Clerk on the 13th inst., granting to John Hunter a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 177 Warren street, in the Second ward.

My objections to approving the resolution are, that an inn and tavern at the place designated, is not required for the entertainment of travelers, which is a prerequisite under the 2d section of the ordinance co cerning Inns and Taverns, approved August 18th, 1853; and I am satisfied, from my own observation, that the place named is not an inn and tavern, and is not provided with the accommodations for travelers required under the above-referred to ordinance.

J. V. THURSTON, Acting Mayor.

Mayor's Office, Jersey City, Aug. 20, 1858.

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To the Honorable Common Council of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—I return without my approval the resolution passed by your honorable body on the 10th inst, and presented to me by the City Clerk on the 13th inst, granting to John Kennedy a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 306 South Seventh street, in the Fourth ward.

My objections to approving the resolution are, that an inn and tavern at the place designated, is not required for the entertainment of travelers, which is a pre-requisite under the 2nd section of the ordinance concerning Inns and Taverns, approved August 18th, 1853; and I am satisfied, from my own observations, that the place named is not an inn and tavern, and is not provided with the accommodations for travelers required under the above-referred to ordinance

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Mayor's Office, Jersey City, Aug. 20, 1858.

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To the Honorable Common Council of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—I return without my approval the resolution passed by your honorable body on the 10th inst., and presented to me by the City Clerk on the 13th inst., granting to Philip Smyth a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 29 Railroad Avenue, in the Third ward.

My objections to approving the resolution are, that an inn and tavern at the place designated, is not required for the entertainment of travelers, which is a pre-requisite under the 2nd section of the ordinance concerning Inns and taverns, approved August 18th, 1853; and I am satisfied, from my own observation, that the place named is not an inn and tavern, and is not provided with the accommodations for travelers required under the above-referred to ordinance.

J. V. THURSTON, Acting Mayor.

Mayor's Office, Jersey City, Aug. 20, 1858.

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To the Honorable Common Council of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—I return without my approval a resolution passed by your honorable body on the 10th inst., and presented to me by the City Clerk on the 13th inst, granting to Patrick Carrigan a license to keep an inn and tavern in Newark avenue, in the Third ward.

My objections to approving the resolution are, that an inn and tavern at the place now occupied by said Carrigan (supposing that to be the place mentioned in the resolution, no number of street being mentioned therein,) is not required for the entertainment of travelers, which is a pre-requisite under the 2d section of the ordinance approved August 18th, 1853; and I am satisfied, from my own observation, that the place named is not an inn and tavern, and is not provided with the accommodations for travelers required under the above referred to ordinance.

J. V. THURSTON, Acting Mayor.

Mayor's Office, Jersey City, Aug. 20, 1858.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the acting Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 2bst ultimo, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

To the Honorable Common Council of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—I return without my approval the resolution passed by your honorable body on the 10th inst., and presented to me by the City Clerk on the 13th inst., granting to H. H. Linnneman a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 368 Grove street, in the Fourth ward.

My objections to approving the reeolution are, that an inn and tavern at the place designated, is not required for the entertainment of travelers, which is a pre-requisite under the 2d section of the ordinance concerning Inns and Taverns, approved August 18th, 1853; and I am satisfied, from my own observation, that the place named is not an inn and tavern, and is not provided with the accommodations for travelers required under the above referred to ordinance.

J. V THURSTON, Acting Mayor.

Mayor's Office, Jersey City, Aug. 20, 1858.

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To the Honorable Common Council of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—I return without my approval a resolution passed by your honorable body on the 10th inst., and presented to me by the City Clerk on the 13th inst., granting to Hugh Reilly a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 342 South Seventh street, in the Third ward.

My objections to approving the resolution are, that an inn and tavern at the place designated, is not required for the entertainment of travelers, which is a pre-requisite under the 2d section of the ordinance concerning Inns and Taverns, approved Augnst 18th, 1853; and I am satisfied, from my own observation, that the place named is not an inn and tavern, and is not provided with the accommodations for travelers required under the above-referred to ordinance.

J. V. THURSTON, Acting Mayor.

Mayor's Office, Jersey City, Aug. 20, 1858.

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To the Honorable Common Council of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—I return without my approval, a resolution passed by your honorable body on the 10th inst., and presented to me by the City Clerk on the 13th inst., granting to Timothy Deegan a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 9 Montgomery street, in the Second ward. My objections to approving the resolution are, that an inn and tavern at the place designated, is not required for the entertainment of travelers, which is a pre-requisite under the 2d section of the ordinance concerning Inns and Taverns, approved August 18, 1853; and I am satisfied, from my own observation, and from information derived from others, that the place named is not an inn and tavern, and is not provided with the accommodations for travelers required under the abovementioned ordinance. The place kept by Mr. Deegan, consists of beare-

ment room only, in which liquor is sold; and I am of the opinion that the freeholders who signed the recommendation certifying that he is known to each of them "to have at least two spare beds more than are necessary for the family's use, and well provided with house room, stabling and provender;" and also, "that such inn and tavern is necessary, and will conduce to the public good," must have affixed their signatures, either under a misapprehension as to the *place* concerning which they were giving this certificate, or else without due reflection as to the statements they were making.

Besides these objections, there is a very excellent hotel over Mr. Deegan's basement, and another equally excellent one immediately adjoining; and I do not think that the wants of the traveling community require *three* inns and taverns in *two* buildings.

J. V. THURSTON, Acting Mayor.

Mayor'e Office, Jersey City, Aug 20, 1858.

An opinion of the Corporation Attorney respecting the claims referred to him August 18th, 1858, of William Keeney Andrew Clerk, and John Van Vorst, for their services as Commissioners in the matter of the opening of Montgomery street, to the effect that the Common Council cannot legally audit said claims at more than $10 each, was presented, received, and ordered filed

The City Treasurer's report for August, 1858, showing a balance in the treasury on the 1st September instant, of $11462 23, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, containing returns of the following election, resignations, and expulsions, confirmed by the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department:

Election of Nathaniel B. Rommell, by Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2.

Resignations of J. R Brownell, and Abram S. Jewell from Engine Co. No. 2; James Schanck and Simon *F.* Noyes from Engine Co. No. 5.

Expulsion of Lawrence Ryan and John F. Duclos from Engine Co No. 2; and of Warren K. Witherell and Benjamin O. Warren from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2.

The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department approved and confirmed.

The special committee on the improvement of Washington Square presented six sealed proposals for the contract for furnishing the materials and constructing a complete foundation with all necessary brace blocks set for an iron fence enclosing the four sections of Washington Square, in answer to the advertisement of said committee

The proposals were received, opened, read, and found to be from the following named persons, and accompanied by bonds for the fulfillment of the contract.

Peter H. Bettiche, William Bartle, William Keeney. John J Hill, Enos Cole and John Wilson.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies it was

Resolved, That the six proposals and the accompanying bonds for the contract to improve Washington Square which have been opened and read at this meeting of the Common Council be referred to the special committee on the improvement of Washington Square with authority to contract with the lowest bidder provided that the committee deem it to the interest of the city to make such contract.

The committee on finance reported the following preamble and resolutions, which were received and adopted:

Whereas, by the 6th section of the ordinance prescribing the duties of the City Treasurer, it is the duty of the City Treasurer to "keep a check book on the bank or banks in which the city deposits are made, and in the margin of said book opposite each check that shall be drawn shall specify the name of the person to whose order it was drawn the amount drawn and for what purpose, and shall furnish the Comptroller on Monday of each week with the bank and check books belonging to the city or his department with the exact balance in the bank noted in the margin of the check book, together with the amount of cash in his hands" And also by section 7th of said ordinance, it is the duty of the City Treasurer to "pay with his official check to the order of the person in whose favor it shall be drawn or his assigns all warrants on the Treasury." And

Whereas, neither of the above sections of the ordinance have heretofore been enforced. Therefore

Resolved, That the committee on finance be instructed to have prepared such suitable book or books as may be required by the City Treasurer to fully carry out the provisions of said ordinance and that the City Treasurer be required to disburse the City funds strictly in accordance with the provisions of the ordinance prescribing his duties.

Resolved, That the City Clerk furnish the City Treasurer and Comptroller with a copy of the above preamble and resolution.

The committee on assessments who were instructed by resolution of July 20th, 1858, to report as to the propriety of accepting or rejecting the city maps made by Egbert L. Viele, presented a report which was received and laid upon the table,—the committee in their report asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject and recommending that the Common Council take early action respecting the matter. The report was received and laid upon the table.

The committee on fire and water who were by resolution passed May 18th, 1858, requested to select a proper location for the erection of a house for Hose Company No 2, presented a report setting forth that they have agreed to purchase a lot from Charles G. Sisson, known as lot Number 15 South 3d street, in block 202, on Cole's map, for the sum of $1200; the purchase money to be paid by a city bond, payable in 15 years with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be authorized to issue a city bond for twelve hundred dollars payable in fifteen years with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum and his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same.

The report was received.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved "That the report and resolution be laid upon the table."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Hardenbergh:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen Clarke, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, and McBride.

Nays—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Decker, Erwin, McLaughlin, Tilden. Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, and Wickware.

Alderman McLaughlin moved "That the report and resolution be adopted."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Tilden.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Absent—Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the report and resolution were then laid upon the table.

The Committee on Public Health to whom was referred June 15, 185-, the petition of A. Brooks and others for the abatement of a nuisance, and on the 6th July, 1858 the petitions of Richard Hawkins and James McLaughlin for the abatement of nuisances, presented a report setting forth that the Committee have caused said nuisances to be abated, the following preamble and resolution accompanying the report

Whereas, numerous complaints have been made to the Committee on Health relative to the present condition of Morgan & Steuben streets, therefore

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be instructed to examine into and report to the Common Council the present condition of said streets.

The report was received, and the preamble and resolution were adopted.

The Committee on License to whom was referred August 18, 1858, the petition of Patrick Meer for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city to Patrick Meer on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred August 18, 1858, the petition of Edward McGonnell for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the Corporate seal of the City to Edward McGonnell on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on licenses to whom was referred June 15, 1858, the petition of Michael McKone, for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Michael McKone to keep an Inn and Tavern at corner Prospect and South 3d streets in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution wos adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin. Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, Decker, Earle, Hankins and Van Vorst

Absent—Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 17, 1858, the petition of Dennis Hogan for a license to keep an inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, that a license be granted to Dennis Hogan to keep an inn and tavern at the corner Warren and Mercer streets, in the Second ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke. Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Ald. Decker, Earle, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent-- Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The committee on licenses to wnom was referred July 2d, 1858, the petition of Michael Dolan for a license to keep an inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Michael Dolan to keep an inn and tavern at the corner Greene and Wayne sts in the Second ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen Chirtie and Wickware.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred July 2d, 1858, the petition of Michael Corrigan for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Michael Corrigan to keep an inn and tavern at Seventh street in the Third ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred July 2d, 1858, the petition of James Lynch for a license to keep an inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Lynch to keep an inn and tavern at 177 Washington street in the Second ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Ald. Decker, Earle, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred June 15, 1858, the petition of Matthew Doyle for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Matthew Doyle to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 34 Wayne st. in the Second Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke. Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhees.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 7, 1858, the petition of Robert Madigan for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution

Resolved, That a license be granted to Robert Madigan to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 207 Grand st., in the Third ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh. McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Decker, Earle. Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Alderman Christie and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred June 15 1858; the petition of Thomas Corrigan for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Thomas Corrigan to keep an Inn and Tavern at No 54 York street, in the Second ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhees.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred June 1, 1858, the petition of John Corrigan for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Corrigan to keep an Inn and Tavern at the corner Grove st. and Newark ave., in the Third ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, and Van Vorst.

Absent---Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred July 2d, 1558, the petition of Frederick Hautsch to keep an inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Frederick M. Hautsch to keep an inn and tavern at No. 179 Newark avenue in the Third ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas---Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, and Earle.

Absent---Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred July 3d, 1858, the petition of Henry Adeling for a license to keep an

inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to H. Adeling to keep an inn and tavern at No. 66 Warren street in the First ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas---Aldermen J M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays --President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent --Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred July 2d, 1858, the petition of Jacob Dollfuss for a license to keep an inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, that a license be granted to Jacob Dollfuss to keep an inn and tavern at No. 233 Grand street in the Third ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas---Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays---President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, and Van Vorst.

Absent---Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 8, 1858, the petition of Robert Gamble for a license to keep an inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Robert Gamble to keep an Inn and Tavern at the corner York and Greene sts. in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote. the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Van Vorst.

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be and are hereby authorized to borrow in anticipation of the taxes of 1858, the sum of five thousand dollars, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized on the requisition of the committee on finance to issue under the corporate seal of the city a bond for the same, payable on the twenty-third day of December, A. D., 1858.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle. Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst and Voorhies

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Erwin, and adopted :

Resoved, That the Committee on Alms be empowered to purchase lumber &c., materials, &c., not to exceed $60, for the purpose of completing coal sheds at the Alms House Department.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Erwin, and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Alms advertise for Groceries and Provisions for balance of the fiscal year ending June 1st, 1859. for the use of the Alms House Department.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Erwin and adopted.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City are due and are hereby most freely tendered to Ex-Sheriff Jacob M. Merseles, for his liberality and courtesy to the Mayor and Common Council of this city, in affording the free use of his elegant Omnibus drawn by six horses, on tne 1st instant, on the occasion of the great Cable Celebration in the City of New York.

Resolved, That a copy of the above resolution, duly certified by the City Clerk under the Corporate Seal of the city, be furnished bythat officer to Ex-Sheriff Merseles.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman W. R. Brown, and adopted.

Resolved, That the permission heretofore granted to the Long Dock and Erie Railroad company by this Common Council to place railroad tracks over Grove and Prospect streets, be and are hereby rescinded.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Clarke and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committe on Lamps be and they are hereby authorized to have erected thirteen iron lamp posts, twelve on Newark avenue and one on Bay st.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McLaughlin :

Resolved, That the committee on fire and water be and are hereby authorized to purchase furniture and fixtures for Passaic Hose Co No 4, at an expense not to exceed the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars.

On motion of Alderman J. M. Brown, the resolution was amended so as to read as follows :

Resolved, That the committee on Fire and Water be and are hereby authorized to purchase the necessary furniture, such as stoves, chairs and desks for Passaic Hose Company, No. 4, at an expense not to exceed the sum of one hundred dollars.

The vote on the adoption of the amendment was as follows:

The yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Erwin.

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride and Voorhies.

Nays—W. R. Brown, Erwin, McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst

Absent—Christie and Wickware.

Alderman Erwin moved,

That the resolution, as amended, be laid on the table.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Erwin.

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Erwin, McLaughlin and Van Vorst.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden and Voorhies.

Absent—Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The resolution as amended was then adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Erwin.

Yeas— President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride and Voorhies.

Nays—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Erwin, McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen Christie and Wickware.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh :

Resolved, That the City Map executed by Egbert L. Viele be not accepted.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to notify Mr. Viele of such action of the Common Council.

The resolutions were amended on motion of Alderman Voorhies by adding the following words :

Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney be instructed to notify Mr. Viele, to refund the money which has been paid to him by the city on his contract, and in case of his failure to do so, that the Corporation Attorney is hereby directed to prosecute Mr. Viele's bond. The resolutions as amended were then adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Erwin and adopted :

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet on Tuesday evening, September 14th, 1858, at this place, at 7 1-2 o'clock.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McLaughlin, and adopted :

Resolved, That the time for receiving petitions for licenses to keep Inns and taverns, be extended to the 1st November, and the City Clerk publish the same in the Corporation paper.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman J. M Brown and laid upon the table, viz;

An ordinance to provide for regulating Bright street from Grove to Jersey street.

Alderman Earle presented the following resolutions;

Resolved, That a Committee to consist of the President of this Common Council, and two of its members together with two other citizens, to be appointed by the President, be appointed for the purpose of preparing amendments to the City charter, or a new charter, if they deem it advisable, and that said committee be requested to perform the duty herein specified, at as early a day as they conveniently can, so that the amendments, when completed, may be reported to the Common Council for their action in season for presentation to the Legislature of New Jersey at the opening of their next session in January next.

Resolved, That the afore-mentioned committee be authorized to expend in the performance of their duties, an amount not to exceed the sum of one hundred dollars.

The first resolution was amended on motion of Alderman Van Vorst so as to read as follows:

Resolved, That a Committee to consist of the President of this Common Council and one Alderman from each ward, to be appointed by the President, together with a citizen from each ward, to be nominated to the Common Council at its next meeting by the Alderman of each ward, selected as a part of the said committee, be constituted for the purpose of preparing amendments to the City charter, or a new charter if they deem it advisable; and that said committee be requested to perform the duty herein specified at as early a day as they conveniently can, so that the amendments, when completed, may be reported to the Common Council for their action in season for presentation to the Legislature of New Jersey at the opening of their session in January next.

The first resolution was adopted as amended and the second resolution was adopted without amendment.

Aldermen Earle, Hardenbergh, Van Vorst and Wickware, were appointed the committee on the part of the Common Council.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to ballot for a collector of arrears o. taxes.

Aldermen Hankins and Voorhees were appointed and acted as tellers.

Three unsuccessful ballotings were had as follows, after which, on motion of Alderman Hankins, further balloting was dispensed with.

First balloting.—

H. E. Insley received five votes.
Wm. Roosevelt received two votes
J. B. Cleveland received seven votes.

Second balloting.—

H. E. Insley received four votes.
J B. Cleveland received seven votes,
P. P. Post received one vote.
G. E. Cutter received one vote.
Wm. Roosevelt received one vote:

Third balloting.—

H. E. Insley received two votes.
J.B. Cleveland received seven votes.
R. R.-Rappleyea received one vote,
G. E. Cutter received one vote.
W. L. Dickinson received two votes,
Wm. Roosevelt received one vote.

On motion of Alderman W. R. Brown the following entitled ordinance presented and laid upon the table August 18 1858, was taken up for consideration, viz:—

"An ordinance to provide for regulating, grading, paving, and laying bridge stone cross walks. Morgan street from the west side of Prospect street to the east side of Grove street, and for setting and re setting curb and gutter and flagging the side walks and cross walks where necessary."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen J. M, Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, and Voorhies.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, and Wickware.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, it was

Resolved, That a warrant for two hundred dollars be drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of John B. Forrest, to pay the amount of his claim presented July 20th 1858, for engraving plate for exempt Firemen's certificate.

On motion of Alderman Clarke, it was

Resolved, That it be referred to the City Attorney for his opinion as to the power to assess property for building a sewer when it has already been assessed for building one.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, September 14th, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen J.M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Alderman Decker was absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Communication from William Dornudy and others setting forth that the lot on south side of Railroad avenue and Warren street is a nuisance and asking to have said lot filled or drained. Referred to the committee on public health.

Petition of Edward P. Torrey by Jacob Weart his Attorney for privilege of redeeming his lots, 111 and 113 Morgan street, sold February 15, 1855, for assessment, etc. Referrec to the committee on finance.

Petition of Abraham Clark to have refunded the sum of five dollars paid by him for preliminary expenses for building sewer in Wayne street, Railroad avenue and Newark avenues.

On motion of Alderman Tilden it was

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Abraham Clark for five dollars to refund amount deposited by him in the City Treasury to defray preliminary expenses of building sewer in Wayne street, Railroad and Newark avenue.

Petition of Edgar Morris and others to have a gas lamp placed on Bay street between Grove and Erie streets. Referred to the committee on lamps.

Communication from William Murtagh and others recommending James Gallagan as a suitable person to be licensed to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables. Referred to the committee on licenses.

Petition of J. L. Blackmore and others owners of property on Steuben street to have said street between Warren and Prospect streets paved and regulated. Referred to the committee on streets.

Petition of Charler L. Krugler and others to have Jersey street opened into and extended to Jersey avenue so that the two streets shall form one continuous street or avenue. Referred to the committee on streets.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Charles N. Betts, $75 24; George S. Gardner, $71 24, and $48 28; Brinkerhoff & Son, $9 63, and John Marsey, $8 00. Referred to the committee on alms.

Of B. F. Woolsey, $34 25; Jasper Wandle, $16, and Henry Myers, $6. Referred to the special committee on dinner to Capt. Hudson.

Of Stephen Quaife, $5. Referred to the committee on police.

Of Burst & Co., $2 69. Referred to the committee on streets.

The committee on lamps to whom was referred September 7th, 1858, the claim of J. F. Richardson, amounting to $11, returned the said claim. The claim was referred to the committee on police.

The committee on finance returned the claim referred to them on the 7th inst., of W B. Dunning, amounting to 66 cents, and the same was referred to the special committee on dinner to Captain Hudson.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Edward D. Reilly, $282, and Henry A. Miller, $75 83.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Peter Waggoner, $193; George Smith, $118 79; Jacob Erwin, $72 92; Drayton & Durant, $68 17; Edward Hope, Jr., $18 50; Hugh Reilly, $18 25; James Cassidy, $17 84; S. Billington & Co., $16 25; Evan Jones, $14 62; William B. Dunning, $10 08, $7 05, $5 25, $3 99, $2 70,

and $1 65; Thomas Howe, $9 40; Wm. Culvert, $7 87; Alexander Love, $6.

W. W. Lee, $5 90; Japhet Jardine, $1 55, and John Marshal, $1.

The committee on streets to whom was referred September 7, 1858, the claim of I. B. & D. E. Culver, amountir g to $31 38. for laying out lot, surveying, etc., reported said claim correct for $25 88 and that amount was ordered paid.

A communition from his honor the Mayor, stating that he has signed, on the requisition of the Water Commissioners, twenty-five Water bonds of one thousand dollars each, was presented, received, and ordered filed

A communication was presented from the Board of Water Commissioners, containing their report on the five sewer applications referred to them on the 10th and 18th August, 1858.

The report and accompanying applications were received and referred to the Committee on Sewers.

The following communication was presented from the Board of Education:

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education held at the City Clerk s office on Monday evening Sept. 6th, 1858.

It was Resolved, that requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims:

In favor of Mrs. Farley for cleaning colored school,	$5 00
Mrs Garrison for cleaning School No. 1,	25 00
P. D. Vroom paid to Sarah Fielder cleaning No. 2,	26 50

A communication from the City Clerk enclosing a resolution of the Common Council, relative to the salaries of the Principals of Schools No. 1 and 2, was received and considered, and it was

Resolved, Common Council concurring, That the salaries of the Principals of Public Schools No. 1 and 2, be fixed at the rate of $1200 per annum; and that it shall be part of their duty to instruct the classes in the Normal School, which shall be equally divided between them for that purpose.

At a meeting of the Board of Education held at the City Clerk's office, on Monday evening Sept. 13th. It was resolved that requisition be made upon the Common Council, for the payment of the following claims:

Randall & Morrell, for fuel for Public Schools,		$378 60
David Easton, for repairs to	do. .	72 31
Wm. C. White, do.	do.	43 17
Cronham & Wetterson, do.	do.	13 51
Earle & Jo., articles furnished to	do.	24 38

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, Sept. 14, 1858.

The communication was received, and warrants were ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the claimants named in the requisition for the amount of their respective claims.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved,

"That the resolution contained in the communication from the Board of Education respecting the salaries of the Principals of Public Schools No. 1 and 2, be concurred in.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, McBride, and J. M. Brown.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—Aldermen Hankins and McBride.

Absent—Alderman Decker.

The Special Committee on the Washington Square improvement verbally reported that they have awarded to John J. Hill the contract to furnish the materials and construct a foundation for an iron fence for Washington Square, and submitted contracts executed by John J. Hill.

The report was received, and on motion of Alderman Voorhies it was

Resolved, That the contracts which have been executed by John J. Hill for furnishing all the material, and for constructing and completing the foundation for iron fence for the four sections of Washington Square, be approved and be executed on the part of the city by his honor the Mayor and by the City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city.

The Committee on Alms to whom were referred August 18, 1858, three proposals with accompanying bonds for the contract to furnish three hundred tons of coal for Alms Department, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proposal of Randall & Morrell, to furnish three hundred tons of coal for the Alms Department, be accepted, and that the contracts which have been executed by Erastus Randall be executed on the part of the City by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, when the same shall have been executed by Abraham Morrell; that the bond executed by E. Randall, Abm. Morrell, S. Davidson, and Jacob Erwin, for the fulfillment of said contract be approved and filed with one of said contracts in the Comptroller's office; and that the bond presented August 18, 1858, with Randall & Morrell's proposal together with the bonds which accompanied the proposals which have been rejected be returned to the principals named therein, and that one of the contracts hereby ordered executed, be, when fully executed, delivered te said Erastus Randall and Abraham Morrell.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen W. R. Brown, Tilden, and Erwin:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, and Wickware.

Nays—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Decker, Earle, Hankins, McLaugh'in, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred on the 7th inst., the petition of Seneca Alger and others, to have the paving and flagging of South First street continued from No. 247 to Jersey avenue, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the petition of S. Alger and others to have the paving and flagging of South First street continued from No. 247 to Jersey avenue, be granted, under the direction of the Street Committee and their Superintendent.

The report was received and resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred on the 7th inst., the communication from B. B. Grinnell, asking that the petition some time ago presented for the construction of culverts and receiving basins on the north and southwest corners of York and Greene streets, be taken from the files and said improvements made—reported back the same. The report setting forth that it will be safer to act on an entirely new application. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Sewers reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant for one hundred and fifty dollars be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of William Keeney and John R. Halladay, to refund the amount deposited by them in the Treasury to defray the preliminary expenses of building the South Third street sewer, in case said improvement had not been proceeded with; but which now belongs to said Keeny & Halladay, the aforesaid sewer having been completed.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Police returned the petition referred to them on the 7th inst., of Dennis Farrell to be appointed a policeman, and the same was laid upon the table.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred August 18, 1858, the petition of William and Chauncey B. Jaquins or a license to keep a restaurant, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer contained in the petition of William and Chauncey B. Jaquins, presented to this Common Council, August 18, 1858, for a license to keep a restaurant at Nos. 23 and 25 Montgomery street, in the Second Ward, be not granted, for the reason that there is no power vested in the Corporation of Jersey City to grant licenses to keep restaurants.

The report was received and the resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred Sept. 7, 1858, the petition of George Subach for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the Corporate Seal of the City, to George Subach on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred on the 7th inst. the application of Henry Miller for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a report recommending

that the application be returned to the petitioner to enable him to present the same through the City Clerk; the time for receiving such application having been extended. The report was received and the recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Public Health to whom was referred Sept. 7, 1858, the petition of Hugh Reilly and others, for the abatement of a nuisance at the intersection of Newark ave., South Seventh and Monmouth streets, consisting of stagnant water, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Laws and Ordinances be requested to amend the City Ordinances on the subject of nuisances, so as to enable the Street Commissioner to act promptly in the abatement of nuisances, also, to clearly define his powers under the law, and leave nothing ambiguous or doubtful in regard to his duties.

The report was received and the resolution adopted

Alderman J. M Brown, from the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings verbally reported in favor of purchasing the brick building and lots on the southeast corner of Henderson and Gregory streets for public offices, station house, &c. The report was received.

Alderman Earle moved "That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be authorized, in case they deem it expedient to do so, to purchase the brick building and lots at the southeast corner of Henderson and Gregory streets, for the purpose of locating therein the Common Council Chamber, City Offices and Station House; provided said property can be purchased for a price not to exceed the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars, and that the owner will receive in payment City Bonds, payable in fifteen years, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Earle, Hardenbergh and McBride:

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Decker and Erwin.

Nays—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, Wickware.

Absent—None.

By leave of the Board the verbal report was withdrawn.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the report of the committee on fire and water in reference to purchasing a lot for the erection thereon of a house for Hose Co. No. 2, was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the resolution attached to the report was amended so as to read as follows:

Resolved, That the committee on fire and water be authorized to purchase of Charles G. Sisson a lot of ground situated on the north side of south third street, known on a map of the estate of John B. Coles, as number fifteen in block number two hundred and two, at a cost not to exceed the sum of twelve hundred dollars and on condition that the said Charles G. Sisson will receive in payment of the purchase monies city bonds payable in fifteen years with interest at a rate not to exceed six per cent per annum; and provided that the said purchase be not made until after the City Attorney has examined the title to said lot and shall report the same perfect.

The resolution as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Hankins, Wickware and Tilden.

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Earle, Hankins, McBride and Van Vorst.

On motion of Alderman Wickware the Board proceeded to consider the vetoes filed by acting Mayor Thurston, on the 21st August, of the resolutions granting sundry licenses to keep inns and taverns.

The following resolution with the "objections" to its approval was considered:

Resolved, That a license be granted to W. L. Broking to keep an inn and tavern at No. 229 Newark avenue, in the Third Ward of Jersey City.

Alderman Wickware moved "That the resolution do now pass notwithstanding the Acting Mayor's objections."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken, two-thirds of the Common Council not voting in the affirmative:

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Christie, Decker, Earle, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Alderman J M. Brown.

The following resolution with the "objections" to its approval was considered:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Owen McCue to keep an inn and tavern at the corner of Grove and Morgan streets, in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City.

Alderman Wickware moved "That the resolution do now pass notwithstanding the Acting Mayor's objections."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken; two-thirds of the Common Council not voting in the affirmative:

Yeas—Alderman W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Christie, Decker, Earle, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Alderman J. M. Brown.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the further consideration of the vetoes was postponed.

Alderman Voorhies offered the following preamble and resolutions which were adopted:

Whereas, William Chilvers and others have petitioned the Common Council for relief in the matter of the assessment for the construction of a sewer between Van Vorst and Henderson streets in Jersey City. And

Whereas, Doubts have arisen as to the power of the Common Council to give such relief. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the matters and things contained in said petition and the resolutions recommended by the committee, who reported the same, and which was adopted by the Common Council, be referred to the Corporation Attorney for his opinion as to the liability of the owners of property in said block to be assessed for said sewer in connection with the grounds of objection named in said petition.

Resolved, That the resolution requiring the opinion of the City Attorney as to the liability of property along the line of a sewer to an assessment for the cost thereof, where a sewer has already been constructed, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday September 21st, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

In the absence of the City Clerk Alderman VanVorst was appointed Clerk pro tempore.

Present—President Thurston and Aldermen W R. Brown Christie, Clarke, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden.

Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hankins, McLaughlin, Van Vorst and Wickware, were absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took their seats

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Voorhies.

The minutes of the regular meeting of September 7, 1858, and of the adjou ned regular meeting of September 14,1858, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Communication from B. B. Grinnell complaining of condition of York and Greene streets at their junction and asking to have culverts or receiving basins constructed on north and south west corners of said streets. Referred to the committee on sewers.

Petitions of Henry Miller and Owen McCue for licenses to keep inns and taverns. Referred to the committee on licenses.

Petition of P. H. Zabriskie asking to have Plank Road Company restrained from encroaching upon his rights as a property holder. etc. Referred to the committee on streets.

Petition of Jesse Hoyt and others for the abatement of a nuisance caused by overflow of water on block bounded by Grand, Warren, Sussex and Van Vorst streets. Referred to the committee on public health.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Of Daily Telegraph, $176 64, and $15 58 ; and W. B. Dunning, $2 78. Referred to the committee on finance.

Of Jersey City and Harsimus Cemetery Co., $70 50 ; and W. B. Dunning, $3 96. Referred to the committee on alms.

Of Frederick Boyes, $4 88 ; and W. B. Dunning, $0 60.—Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Stephen Quaife, $400. Referred to the committee on salaries, officers and elections.

Of Frederick Boyes, $15. Referred to the committee on police.

Of William Coogan, $16. Referred to the committee on public health.

Of Wm. B. Dunning, $1. Referred te the committee on fire and water.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards, reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of W. H. Frazee, $1922 82 ; Macy & Jenkins, 749 71; Nathaniel Ellis $125 ; A. B. Reynolds, $39 05 ; Bernard Naugton, $30 25 ; Patrick Garvey, $23 37 ; Michael Mc Guire, $21 ; Patrick Tarney, $13 12 ; Hector McMullin, $11 87 ; John Nicholson, $10 50 ; John Garvey, $10 50 ; Edward Murtha, $10 50 ; William Ryan, $9 50 ; Laurence Owens, $9 50, and James Foran, $8 75.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of R. B. Earle & Co., $591 99 ; Charles N. Betts, $75 24 ; George S. Gardner, $72 34 ; and $48 28 ; B. F. Woolsey, $34 25 ; Jasper Wandle, $16 ; J. F. Richardson, $11 ; Brinkerhoff & Son, $9 63 ; John Marsey, $8 ; Henry Myers, $6 ; Stephen Quaife, $5 ; Burst & Co., $2 69 ; and W. B. Dunning, $0 66.

The committee on alms to whom was referred September 7, 1858, the claim of R. B. Earle & Co., amounting to $87 40, for muslin for Alms House Department reported said claim correct for $77 03, and that amount was ordered paid.

The special committee on Dinner to Captain Hudson to whom was referred September 7, 1858, the claim of Hudson County Artillery amounting to $75, for firing 150 rounds August 18, 1858, reported said claim correct.

The claim was ordered paid by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman J. M. Brown.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst.

Nays—Aldermen J. M. Brown, McBride and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Voorhies.

Communications were presented and received from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing returns of the followihg elections and resignations in said Department confirmed by the Commissioners of the Fire Department and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department be approved and confirmed.

Election of Samuel C. McLaughlin and Jesse McLaughlin by Engine Co. No. 1 ; John A. Schuyler by Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, and Benson Rommell by Hook and Ladder Co. No 2

Resignations of David W. Stone, Frederick Anness, Charles Scott and James G. Williams from Engine Co. No. 1, and John A Topping from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2.

The committee on public grounds and buildings to whom was referred August 18, 1858, the proposals of A. Love and Keeney & Halladay for the contract to furnish the earth and fill in to established grade Hamilton Square, verbally reported that they have awarded said contract to A. Love, he being the lower of said bidders. and returned the bond and proposal of Keeney & Halladay for the same. The report was received and the bond was ordered to be returned to the principals named therein.

The Special Committee on Improvement of Washington Square, reported five sealed proposals received by them in answer to their advertisement for proposals for contract to, furnish materials and construct iron fence around the four sections of Washington square.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the proposals were opened and read.

The proposals were found to be from Jerome B. Ward and Austin Requa, O. A. Farrin & Samuel McCullough, accompanied by bonds, and from J. L. Blackmore, Charles Van Brunt and John Burt, Jr., not accompanied by bonds but offering names of persens as bondsmen.

On motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That the five proposals and bonds which have been received, opened, and read at this meeting of the Common Council, for the contract to furnish the materials and construct iron fence around the four sections of Washington square, be referred to the Special Committee on Improvement of Washington square, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest bidder, if the Committee deem it to the interests of the city to do so ; and that the Mayor and City Clerk on the requisition of said Committee, be empowered on the part of the city, to execute under the City Seal, such contracts as may be prepared by the Corporation Attorney, for the construction of said fence, after the said contracts shall have been executed by the party to whom such contract may be awarded.

The Committee on Alms who were instructed by resolution of September 7, 1858, to advertise for proposals for contract to furnish groceries for Alms House, reported three sealed proposals received by them in answer to their advertisement.

The proposals were received, opened, read and found to be from Ward & McGown, and George S. Gardner, not accompanied by bonds, and Benjamin E. Flint accompanied by a bond.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Erwin and adopted :

Resolved, That the three proposals for a contract to furnish Groceries for the use of Alms Department, which have been opened and read at this meeting of the Common Council, be referred to the Committee on Alms, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest bidder if the Committee deem it to the interest of the city to do so ; and that the Mayor and City Clerk on the requisition of the Committee on Alms, be empowered on the part of the city to execute under the City Seal, such contracts as may be prepared by the Corporation Attorney, for the furnishing of said provisions after the said contracts shall have been executed by the party to whom such contract may be awarded.

The Special Committee on Charter Amendments presented a report setting forth that in accordance with resolution of September 7, 1858, instructing the Alderman appointed on said Committee from each ward to nominate one citizen from each ward to act with them on said Committee they have nominated the following named gentlemen :

Alexander H. Wallis First ward ; Samuel M. Chambers,

Second ward; David S. Manners, Third ward; and John Van Vorst, Fourth ward.

The report was received and the nominations approved of.

The committee on streets to whom was referred September 14, 1852, the petition of Charles L. Krugler and others to have Jersey street opened into and extended to Jersey avenue so that the two streets may form one continuous street or avenue, presented a report in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioners accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committee on streets to whom was referred September 14, 1858, the petition of Charles L. Krugler and others to have Jersey street opened into and extended to Jersey avenue so that the two streets shall form one continuous street or avenue be authorized to give public notice according to law of a time and place when and where parties interested in such application may be heard. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets to whom was referred September 14, 1858, the petition of J. L. Blackmore and others to have Steuben street paved, etc., from Warren to Prospect streets presented a report in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioners accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That your committee on streets to whom was referred September 14, 1858, the petition of J. L Blackmore and others for the improvement of Steuben street be empowered to advertise according to law to hear remonstrances against the same. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets to whom was referred July 27, 1858, four remonstrances against the opening of Montgomery street presented a report setting forth that on examination they find more than one half of the owners of the lands to be assessed for said improvement have by themselves or their agents lawfully authorized signed the remonstrances and recommending that in compliance with the provisions of the city charter "The Common Council shall proceed no further in such improvement" under the application presented June 17, 1856 and presented an alphabetical list of all the names of the parties assessed for said improvement and names of remonstrants against the same the committee also reported a second alphabetical list of names of persons signed to remonstrances but not assessed.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved That all the papers presented this evening by the committee on streets be referred to the Corporation Attorney for his opinion in the matter.

Alderman Hankins moved to amend Alderman Hardenbergh's motion so as to read as follows :

"That the report of the committee on streets with annexed remonstrances only be referred to the Corporation Attorney for his opinion in the matter "

Alderman Hankins amendment to Alderman Hardenbergh's motion was adopted.

Alderman Hardenbergh's motion as amended was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Erwin and McBride :

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh and Wickware.

Nays—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Christie, Earle, Hankins, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Voorhies.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the report of the Committee on streets with accompanying documents were recommitted to the Committee on Streets for further consideration.

Alderman Hankins offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings is instructed to report plans for building Public School House in Third ward, as early as possible, the Committee to have the power to employ an Architect for the purpose of drawing said plans and specification.

The resolution was amended on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh by inserting after the words " Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings" the words " and Committee on Schools," and as amended was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings is hereby instructed to have the fence around Van Vorst Square painted with two coats of best white lead or zinc paint, and linseed oil. Also the fence around Hamilton Square painted with the same kind of paint and oil one coat, the work to be done under the direction of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to have all public documents now and hereafter ordered published by this Board equally divided amongst the members of the Board of Aldermen delivering unto each Alderman one seventeenth of the whole number ordered, and one seventeenth part to the Mayor of the city.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Common Council of Jersey City be and are hereby tendered to the Directors of the New Jersey Railroad for the use of their new Ferry building, to Capt. Charles A. Woolsey for his kindness in placing the steamer John S. Darcy at the special disposal of the Committee on Reception, and to the committee of citizens who so generously aided the Common Council upon the occasion of the public dinner to Captain Hudson and the officers of the United States Steamship Niagara on Friday 3rd September.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman W R. Brown and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on streets be authorized to do the necessary work on streets until the next regular meeting of this Common Council

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, When this Common Council adjourns it will adjourn to meet at this Chamber on Tuesday evening next at half-past seven o'clock.

On motion of Alderman Earle the Board then adjourned.

CORNELIUS VAN VORST, City Clerk pro tem.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, September 28, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Present—President, Thurston and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke and McLaughlin.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Petition of J. B. Stone to have cancelled the sale of lot 26, Newark avenue, made Aug. 4th, 1856, for taxes of 1855, etc. Referred to committee on finance.

Communication from D. S. Manners declining to serve as one of the committee on Charter amendments. Referred to committee on charter amendments with authority to fill the vacancy.

Petition of C. Van Vorst for alteration of the grade of Wayne street between Barrow and Jersey streets so as to correspond with the grade as shown on a map accompanying the petition. Referred with the map to committee on streets

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of James F. Fielder, $3187 28 ; H. L. Smith, $110 ; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $60 ; and Henry Kelly, $23 50. Referred to committee on streets.

Of Ward & McGown, $39 05 ; J. H. Hughes, $5, and Daily Telegraph, $2 86. Referred to the committee on alms.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, $32 86 ; Daily Telegraph, $4 45, and Thomas Howe, $1 50. Referred to the committee on police.

Of Alexander Love, $1887 99. Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Thomas Howe, $8 24. Referred to the committee on fire and water.

Of Daily Telegraph, $3 61. Referred to the special committee on Hudson Dinner.

The committee on public grounds and buildings returned the claim referred to them September 21, 1858, of Wm B. Dunning, amounting to 66 cents, and the same was referred to the special committee on Improvement of Washington Square.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of James Flemming, $400, and $8 ; and Daily Telegraph, $33 20.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred

to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Daily Telegraph, $176 64, and $15 58 ; Samuel Hetherington, $25 30 ; William B. Dunning, $2 78, and $3 96.

The committee on alms to whom was referred August 18, 1858, the claim of Hoffman & Wood, amounting to $9 25, for sand and wood for Alms House and sand for Engine House No. 3, reported said claims correct for $8 75, and that amount was ordered paid.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the tax lists for the current year delivered to him by the Assessors of Taxes, and on motion of Alderman Voorhies the same were received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

The committee on finance to whom was referred July 6, 1858, the petition of Horatio N. Ege to have the sale of his lot No 45 Mercer street, in block 70, sold for taxes of 1855, cancelled, returned the same and verbally reported that said lot has been redeemed and the matter settled.

The report was received and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The committee on police to whom were referred August 18, 1858, the petition of J. R. Schuyler and others for the removal of the City Prison, and on the 7th September the petition of J. H. Gautier, M. D.; and eight other Physicians, for the removal of the City Prison, presented a report setting forth that it is inexpedient to remove the City Prison at the present time and recommending "that the committee on public grounds and buildings report the best site that they have for a Station House and City Prison at the next meeting of the Common Council."

The report was received ; on motion of Alderman Hankins the recommendation was laid upon the table ; subsequently on his motion the recommendation was taken from the table and adopted.

The committee on sewers to whom was referred September 14, 1858, the report of the Board of Water Commissioners on the seven applications referred to them August 10th and 18th, 1858, for constructing sewers, culverts, etc., presented a report setting forth that they intend at this meeting of the Common Council to present reports on the applications referred to, and therefore report back this report, and recommend that it be filed in the City Clerk's office. The report was received and its recommendation adopted

The committee on sewers to whom was referred September 14, 1858, the petition of John J. Bouton and others, owners of property in South Seventh street and vicinity, for the construction of a main sewer in South Seventh street, etc., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That Thursday, October 14, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M., be and is hereby appointed as the time when the committee on sewers of this Common Council will meet at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the application presented to this Common Council, July 20th, 1858, of John J. Bouton and others to have a main sewer constructed in South Seventh street to extend from tide water east of Prospect street to the intersection of Newark avenue with the laterals, etc., all persons interested in said application and the proposed improvement; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Jersey City papers for at least ten days notice of the presentation of the aforesaid application and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and that he embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners in their report presented to this Common Council September 14, 1858.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred, Sept. 14, 1858, the petition of A. Barricklo and others to have culverts placed on the corners of Morris and Greene streets, in the First Ward, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That Wednesday, October 13, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., be and is hereby appointed as the time when the Committee on Sewers of this Common Council, will meet at the City Clerk's Office, No. 23 Montgomery street, for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the application presented to this Common Council, June 15, 1858, of A. Barricklo and others, to have culverts placed on the corners of Morris and Greene streets, all persons interested in said application and the proposed improvement; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Jersey City papers for at east ten days, notice of the presentation of the aforesaid application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and that he embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Water Commissioners in their report presented to this Common Council on the 14th September, 1858.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred Sept. 14, 1858, the petition of B. O. Edge and others to have a receiving basin and culvert constructed at the southeast corner of Greene and Montgomery streets, in the Second Ward, presented a report thereon accompanied by the followidg resolution :

Resolved, That Friday, October 15, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., be appointed as the time when the Committee on Sewers of this Common Council, will meet at the City Clerk's Office, No. 23 Montgomery street, to hear on the merits of the same all persons interested in the application made to the Common Council August 18, 1858, for the construction of a receiving basin and culvert at the southeast corner of Greene and Montgomery streets; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Jersey City papers for the length time required by the City Charter, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred Sept. 14, 1858, the petition of W. L. Broking and others, owners of property on Newark avenue, to have the sewer now building in Newark avenue extended up to Brunswick street, or so far as to the front of the petitioners property, between Monmouth and Brunswick streets, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That Thursday, October 14, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., be and is appointed as the time when the Committee on Sewers of this Common Council wili meet at the City Clerk's Office, No. 23 Montgomery street, for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the application presented to this Common Council July 6th, 1858, of W. L. Broking and others, owners of property on Newark avenue, to have the sewer now building in said avenue extended up to Brunswick street, or so far as to the front of their property, between Monmouth and Brunswick streets, all persons interested in said application and the proposed improvement; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Jersey City papers for at least ten days notice of the presentation of the aforesaid application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and that he embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners in their report presented to this Common Council on the 14th September, 1858.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred Sept. 14, 1858, the petition of W. L. Broking and others, for the construction of a main sewer in South Ninth street, to connect with the sewer in Newark avenue and extend to the Hudson River east of Hudson street with laterals, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That Thursday, October 14, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., be and is hereby appointed as the time when the Committee on Sewers of this Common Council will meet at the City Clerk's Office, No. 23 Montgomery street, for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the application presented to this Common Council July 6, 1858, of W. L. Broking and others, to have a main sewer constructed in South Ninth street, to connect with the sewer in Newark avenue and extend to the Hudson River, east of Hudson street, together with laterals, culverts, &c., all persons interested in said application and the proposed improvements; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Jersey City papers, for at least ten days, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and that he embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners in their report presented to this Common Council on the 14th September, 1858.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred Sept. 14, 1858, the petition of John S. Mark and others to have a sewer constructed in Railroad avenue, south side, between Grove and Barrow streets, to connect with the sewer in Grove st, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That Wednesday, October 13, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., be and is hereby appointed as the time when the Committee on Sewers of this Common Council will meet at the City Clerk's Office, No. 23 Montgomery st , for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all persons interested in the application presented to this Common Council June 27th, 1858, of John S. Mark and others for the construction of a sewer in Railroad Avenue, south side between Grove and Barrow streets, to be connected with the sewer in Grove street ; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Jersey City papers for at least ten days notice of the presentation of the aforesaid application and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing and that he embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners in their report presented to this Common Council on the 14th September, 1858.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on sewers to whom was referred September 14, 1858, the petition of George McLaughlin and others for the construction of a main sewer through Newark avenue and Montgomery street from Henderson street to the Hudson river with the tributaries, etc., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That Wednesday October 13, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M. be and is hereby appointed as the time when the committee on sewers of this Common Council will meet at the City Clerk's office No. 23 Montgomery street for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all persons interested in the application presented to the Common Council September 14, 1858, of George McLaughlin and others for the construction of a main sewer from Henderson street through Newark avenue and Montgomery street to the Hudson river, together with the tributaries, etc ; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Jersey City papers for at least ten days, notice of the presentation of the aforesaid application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and that he embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners in their report presented to this Common Council September 14, 1858.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Alderman Van Vorst resigned his position as a member of the special committee on charter amendments. The resignation was accepted.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the President of the Common Council be requested to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Alderman Van Vorst as a member of the special committee on charter amendments.

Alderman Van Vorst offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committee on finance be authorized to borrow in anticipation of the taxes of the year 1858 the sum of eight thousand dollars ($8000) payable on the twenty first day of December A. D. 1858. and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized on the requisition of the committee on finance to issue under the Corporate Seal of the City Bonds or Bond of the City for said amount, payable on the twenty first day of December A. D 1858, with interest at and after the rate of seven per centum per annum.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote,the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke and McLaughlin.

Alderman Wickware offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That in conformity to the customary usage of this Common Council in appropriating two hundred and fifty dollars to each of the Companies constituting our Fire Department, that the same sum be appropriated to Passaic Hose Company No. 4, for the purpose of furnishing their new House located in the Third Ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted, but immediately after its adoption on motion of Alderman Erwin the vote by which the resolution was adopted was reconsidered.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the resolution was amended by striking out "two hundred and fifty dollars" as the sum appropriated and inserting "one hundred and fifty dollars."

Alderman Van Vorst moved to amend Alderman Wickware's resolution as amended, by substituting the following :

Resolved, That an additional sum of $150 be appropriated to Passaic Hose Co No. 4. for the purpose of furnishing their carriage house, located in Bright street, between Grove and Barrow streets.

The motion to amend was adopted, and the resolution as amended by the substitution of Ald. Van Vorst's was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Assessments be and they are hereby requested to advertise for proposals to furnish this Board with a correct map of Jersey City.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle :

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings be requested to effect insurance, in such amount as they may deem necessary, on the public school houses of this city.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the resolution was ordered to lay upon the table until the next meeting of the Common Council.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to take from the City Clerk's Office the books of assessment for taxes for the year 1858, as they may be required from time to time for the purpose of making a copy.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings be and are hereby requested to procure plans and specifications for a house for the use of Phoenix Hose Company No. 2. located in the Fourth ward.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Voorhies and adopted :

Resolved, That the special committee on the Washington Square improvement be instructed to advertise for proposals to flag the sidewalk around Washington Square.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst the rule requiring a balloting was suspended to enable the Board to appoint viva voce a Commissioner of Appeals from the Third ward.

Whereupon on motion of Alderman Van Vorst George McLaughlin was viva voce unanimously appointed such Commissioner of Appeals.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board proceeded to the appointment of Collector of Arrears of Taxes.

Aldermen Decker and Voorhies were appointed and acted as Tellers.

Two unsuccessful ballotings were had as follows, after which on motion of Alderman Earle further balloting was postponed.

First balloting—

W. L. Dickinson received six votes.
R. R. Rappleyea received one vote.
J. B. Cleveland received four votes.
George McLaughlin received one vote.
S. R. Tyrrell received one vote.
S. A. French received one vote.

Second balloting—

W. L. Dickinson received six votes.
J. B. Cleveland received three votes.
S. A. French received two votes.
S. R. Tyrrell received one vote.
R. R. Rappleyea received one vote.
George McLaughlin received one vote.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Policeman from the First ward.

Same Tellers acted.

Three unsuccessful ballotings were had as follows after which on motion of Alderman Earle further balloting was postponed.

First balloting :

Stephen Bennt received four votes.
Alfred Berry received four votes.
Dennis Farrel reeeived four votes.
George McLaughlin received one vote.
William Keen received one vote.

Second balloting :

Stephen Bennett received seven votes.
Alfred Berry received three votes.
Dennis Farrell received four votes.

Third balloting :

Steven Bennett received six votes.
Alfred Berry received two votes.
Dennis Farrel received five votes.
William Reen received one vote.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday October 5th, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Present — President Thurston and Aldermen Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Voorhies and Wickware.

The minutes of the regular meeting of September 21 1858, and of the adjourned regular meeting of September 28,1 58, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc , were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Petition of Daniel Page for the abatement of a nuisance in York street near the corner of Greene street caused by p g pen, etc. Referred to the committee on public health.

Petition of Peter Waggoner for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables. Beferred to the committee on licenses

Petition of J. R. Wortendyke and others, residents of the Fourth ward, in favor of the appointment of Charles P. Seely as a private Policeman. Referred to the committee on police.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Ward & McGown, $323 16 ; Jacob Erwin, $70 65 ; Drayton & Durant, $64 42 ; Eliza Maloney, $20 ; Hugh Reilly, $17 52 ; W. I. Hough, $12 61 and Patrick Farrell, $8 54. Referred to the committee on alms.

Of Police Department, $1322 39 ; Thomas Gafney, $7 ; and J. F. Richardson, $5. Referred to committee on police.

Of J. F. Richardson, $25 75, and $21 50 ; Hugh Billingsley, $20, and Mrs Ann Eaton, $16 50 Referred to committee on Lamps.

Of Burst & Co , $6 75 ; and Thomas Gafney, $3: Referred to the special committee on Hudson Dinner.

Of Patrick Nowlan, $38 Referred to the committee on public health.

Of I. B & D. E. Culver, $15. Referred to the committee on streets.

Alderman McBride being the only member of the committee on public health present asked to have a member of the Board appointed to act with him on said committee for this evening. Whereupon the President appointed Alderman Hardenbergh.

A claim of Cronham & Wetterson, amounting to $2 25, for printing banner, referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings September 7th, 1858, was returned by said committee and the claim was referred to the special committee on Hudson dinner.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Alexander Love, $18 7 99 ; Jersey City and Harsimus Cemetery Co , $70 50 ; Thomas Howe $59 ; John Marshal, $44 10 ; Ward & McGown, $39 05 ; Nathaniel Ellis, $32 86 ; William Coogan, $16 ; Frederick Boyes, 15 ; Garret Cooper, $10 ; Thomas Howe, $8 24 ; Cronham & Wetterson, $6 80 ; Thomas Howe, $6 10 ; and $5 ; J. H. Hughes, $5 ; J. V. Hardenbergh, $5 ; Frederick Boyes, $4 88 ; Daily Telegraph, $1 45, and $2 86 ; Cronham & Wetterson, $1 50 ; Thomas Howe, $1 50 ; William B. Dunning, $1 ; and Cronham & Wetterson, 75 cents.

A communication was presented from the Street Commissioner, enclosing an injunction served upon him, at the suit of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, etc. Received and referred to the Corporation Attorney.

The City Treasurer's report for September last showing a balance in the treasury on the 1st October inst , of $3967 06, was presented, received and ordered filed.

Alderman Earle, from the special committee on the Washington Square Improvement, reported four sealed proposals received for the contract to flag, etc., Washington Square.

On motion of Alderman Earle the proposals were opened and read.

They were found to be from Thomas Royle, John Wilson, Hugh Keenan, and William Bartle, and accompanied by the required bonds.

On motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That the proposals of Thomas Royle, John Wilson, Hugh Keenan and William Bartle for the contract to flag, etc , the side walk in front of Washington Square, which have been received at this meeting of the Common Council, be referred together with the bonds which accompanied said proposals, to the special committee on the Improvement of Washington Square with authority to make a contract with the lowest of said bidders if the committee deem it to the interests of the city to do so ; and that on the requisition of the said committee the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and requested on behalf of the city to execute under the city seal, contracts for the said work.

The committee on police to whom was referred at this meeting, the petition of J. R. Wortendyke and others for the appointment of Charles P. Seely as a private Policeman, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That Charles P. Seely be appointed private Policeman with police powers ; his services to be paid for by the parties employing him. The report was received and the resolution adopted

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board proceeded to the appointment of a private policeman under the resolution just passed ; whereupon on motion of Alderman Clarke it was unanimously

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended and that Charles P. Seely by viva voce appointed such private Policeman.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the rule requiring a balloting was suspended to enable the Board to appoint viva voce a Clerk of the Second ward, and on motion of Alderman Erwin it was viva voce unanimously

Resolved, That Adrian B. Reynolds be appointed Clerk of the Second ward.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the petition presented and laid upon the table May 1 th, 1858, of J. F. Ward to be appointed a Surveyor, was taken from the table.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was unanimously

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended and that John F. Ward be appointed viva voce a City Surveyor.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the rule requiring a balloting was suspended to enable the Board to appoint viva voce a Clerk of the Third ward

Whereupon on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was unanimously

Resolved, That Peter N. Horsley be appointed Clerk of the Third ward.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns itwill adjourn to meet at this Chamber next Tuesday evening at half past seven o'clock and that the special order of the evening be the report of the committee on public grounds and buildings and consideration of the same, for purchasing a suitable sight for Temporary City Hall and Station House.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the board proceeded to the appointment of a Policeman for the First Ward.

Aldermen Clarke and Decker were appointed and acted as Tellers.

Four ballotings were had as follows :

First Balloting:

Stephen Bennet received seven votes.
Alfred Berry received two votes.
Dennis Farrel received three votes.

Second Balloting :

Stephen Bennett received six votes.
Alfred Berry received three votes.
Dennis Farrell received three votes.

Third Balloting :

Stephen Bennet received eight votes.
Alfred Berry received one vote.
Dennis Farrell rece ved two votes.
Peter Rourke received one vote.

Fourth Balloting:

Stephen Bennett received nine votes.
Dennis Farrell received three votes.

Whereupon Stephen Bennett was declared appointed a Policeman.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Collector of Arrears of Taxes.

The same tellers acted.

Seven unsuccessful ballotings were had as follows, after

which on motion of Alderman Erwin further balloting was postponed. First Balloting:
J. B. Cleveland received five votes.
W. L. Dickinson received four votes.
G. E. Cutter received one vote.
S. R. Tyrrell received two votes.
Second Balloting:
J. B. Cleveland received six votes.
W. L. Dickinson received two votes.
S. A. French received three votes.
William Roosevelt received one vote.
Third Balloting:
J. B. Cleveland received eight votes.
W. L. Dickinson received one vote.
S. A. French received three votes.
Fourth Balloting:
J. B. Cleveland received eight votes.
W. L. Dickinson received one vote,
S. A. French received three votes.
Fifth Balloting:
J. B. Cleveland received eight votes.
W. L. Dickinson received one vote.
S. A. French received three votes.
Sixth Balloting:
J. B. Cleveland received six votes.
W. L. Dickinson received one vote.
S. A. French received five votes.
Seventh Balloting:
J. B. Cleveland received six votes.
W. L. Dickinson received one vote.
S. A. French received five votes.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That the City Attorney be empowered to associate counsel if he deems it necessary, for the purpose of aiding him in defending the city in a suit now pending between the New Jersey Railroad & Transportation Company and Jersey City—the compensation of said associate not to exceed fifty dollars.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted

Resolved, That all resolutions granting permission to the Erie Railroad Company to lay rails in Mercer street from Warren to Hudson streets, be and is hereby repealed.

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be requested to have all obstructions on said Mercer street removed forthwith.

Alderman Hankins offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Police is authorized to purchase wood and coal for the City Prison and Station House.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Earle, and Tilden:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen Christie, Clarke, Decker, Erwin, Hankins, McBride, Tilden, and Van Vorst.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Hardenbergh, and McLaughlin.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Alderman Erwin offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Alms are hereby authorized to effect an insurance against fire, on the goods, furniture, &c., belonging to the city, in the Alms House and other buildings on the Alms House grounds.

The resolution was amended on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh by adding thereto the following words:

"Provided that such insurance be effected within the limits of Jersey City."

The resolution as amended was then adopted.

Alderman Erwin offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings are hereby instructed to effect an insurance on the Alms House, Work House, and other buildings connected therewith.

The resolution was amended on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh by adding the following words: "Provided that such insurance be effected within the limits of Jersey City."

The resolution as amended was then adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be requested to report to the Common Council upon the propriety of paving Montgomery street between Hudson and Warren streets with Belgian pavement.

On motion of Alderman Erwin it was

Resolved, That the following resolution passed December 8th, 1857, be and the same is hereby rescended: "Resolved, That no further insurance be effected on City Property after this date."

On motion of Alderman Earle the board proceeded to the consideration of the following resolution, which was presented on the 28th September ult.

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be requested to effect insurances in such amount as they may deem necessary on the public school houses of this city.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the resolution was amended by adding the following words

"Provided that such insurance be effected within the limits of Jersey City," and on motion of Alderman Van Vorst the resolution as amended was further amended by adding thereto the words

"And that the insurance be to an amount not exceeding one half of the original cost of the Buildings."

The resolution as amended was then adopted.

The following resolution was offerred by Alderman Erwin and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Alms be authorized to purchase feed and straw from time to time for the use of Alms House Department.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McLaughlin and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be instructed to have the several engine houses insured in the Jersey City Insurance Company, if they deem it to the interest of the city to do so, to an amount not exceeding one half the value of each house.

The President appointed Alderman McLaughlin a member of the Committee on Charter Amendments, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Alderman Van Vorst from the Committee.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk,

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, October 12th, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Absent—Alderman Decker.

A petition of Abram S. Jewell to have the side walks in Mercer street between Barrow and Grove streets, and in Gregory street, repaired, was presented and referred to the committee on streets

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of John A. Buckle, $10; R. B. Kashow, $8 57, and W. B. Dunning, 50 cents. Referred to the committee on fire and water.

Of R. B. Kashow, $84 57. Referred to the committee on salaries, offices and elections

Of W. B. Dunning, $23 73, and Thomas Royle, $13 30.—Referred to the committee on streets.

Of Thomas Royle, $5 27, Referred to the committee on sewers.

Of W. B. Dunning $1. Referred to the special committee on Washington Square Improvement

Of R. B. Kashow, $37 50, and E. Pray, $27 06. Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of R. B. Kashow, 38 cents. Referred to the committee on police.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to the committee on streets, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Michael McGuire, $24; Patrick Tarney, $15; Edward Martha, $13 50; John Nicholson, $12; and John Garvey, $12.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Police Department $1392 39; Ward & McGown, $323 16; Jacob Erwin, $70 60; Drayton & Durant, $64 42; J. F. Richardson, $25 75; Henry Kelly, $23 50; J. F. Richardson, $21 50; Hugh Billingsley, $20; Eliza Maloney.

$20; Hugh Riley, $17 52; Mrs. Ann Eaton, $16 50; W. I Hough, $12 61; Patrick Farrell, $8 54; Thomas Gafney, $7, and J. F. Richardson, $5.

The committee on public grounds and buildings to whom was referred July 6th, 1858, the claim of Henry Wild, amounting to $87 72, reported said claim correct for $72 97 and that that amount was ordered paid.

The committee on public grounds and buildings to whom was referred September 7, 1858, the claim of Cronham & Westerson, amounting to $18 35, reported said claim correct for $18 25, and that amount was ordered paid

The following requisition from the Board of Education was presented, received and warrants for the amounts named therein were ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the claimants respectively named.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education held at the City Clerks office, it was resolved by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays being taken. That requision be made upon the Common Council for the following claims; in favor of H. M. Soule, Chairman of the Finance Committee.

For teachers salary for quarter ending 31st inst,	$2516,25
Telegraph Printing,	25,50
Johnson & Cameron, repairing furnaces,	76,60

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, Oct. 12, 1858.

A written opinion of the Corporation Attorney, as to the liability of owners of property to be assessed for building sewer in Grand street, was presented, received, laid upon the table, and ordered to be published in full in the minutes.

Said opinion being as follows:

To the Hon. the Common Council of Jersey City:

My opinion has been asked in answer to the following resolution:

Whereas, William Chivers and others have petitioned the Common Council for relief in the matter of the assessment for the construction of a sewer between Van Vorst and Henderson streets in Jersey City. And

Whereas, Doubts have arisen as to the power of the Common Council to give such relief. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the matters and things contained in said petition and the resolutions recommended by the Committee who reported the same, and which was adopted by the Common Council, be referred to the Corporation Attorney for his opinion as to the liability of the owners of property in said block to be assessed for said sewer in connection with the grounds of objection named in said petition.

Resolved, That the resolution requiring the opinion of the City Attorney as to the liability of property along the line of a sewer to an assessment for the cost thereof, where a sewer has already been constructed, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

It will be necessary, in the first place, to ascertain the facts upon which the opinion must be based, which as nearly as I can ascertain from the files of the Clerk's Office, and information derived from reliable sources are as follows:

In the year 1852, a sewer was constructed under proceedings of the Common Council for that purpose had in pursuance of the charter—in Grand street extending from sewer in Henderson street to within 100 feet of Washington street, for the proportionate costs of which the owners of lots between Van Vorst and Henderson streets, were assessed.

This sewer was so constructed as to empty into a sewer, before that time constructed through Henderson street, and now empties at the intersection caused by Grand street and Van Vorst street into a sewer lately constructed from Essex street running in a westerly direction through Essex street to Van Vorst street, thence northerly in Van Vorst street to Grand street, thence westerly in Grand street to Grave street, thence northerly in Grove street to Montgomery street.

The last named sewer was lately constructed by the Water Commissioners according to the plan heretofore accepted by the Common Council, and in order to have the same constructed, it became necessary to take up that part of the old sewer constructed in 1852, between Van Vorst and Henderson streets, and build the new sewer according to the plan in that part of Grand street.

The question, therefore, propounded to me, is in fact: What property the Water Commissioners must assess for the construction of the sewer by them built and above referred to?

The language of the act upon this subject, approved March 16th, 1854 Laws of 1854, page 404, is peculiar and to my mind unprecedented.

The 4th Section which contains all the instructions upon this subject, that I have been able to find, reads as follows:

"That where any sewer and the drains, pipes, and other work connected therewith, shall be completed, the Water Commissioners shall ascertain the whole cost thereof, and the number and size of all lots or seperate parcels of ground drained thereby, and shall fix the amount to be paid for each in proportion to their dimensions, without reference to their situation or value, &c., &c.

This is all that relates to the principle of assessment—to be pursued by the Water Commissioners—and is certainly a very blind guide. This was done too with full knowledge, that one or more sewers had been constructed before the passage of that act, at great expense to the owners of the lots on the line of the improvement, which would be obliged to be destroyed.

I have said this to shew that the Legislature intended to make provision that no man should be assessed at the option of the Commissioners, which might at certain times or under certain circumstances lead them to make arbitrary or oppressive assessments.

It defines the principle—and the principle so established, must be construed strictly in accordance with the language used.

What is the language in an abbreviated form?

They shall assess all lots or separate parcels of ground drained thereby—in proportion to their dimensions, without reference to their situation or value.

Let us analyze this as to the present sewer—what lots are thereby drained? The answer to this I take to be that, all of the lots along the line of the improvement or along the streets where the new sewer is laid—and also the lots on Grand Street from Van Vorst Street to within 100 feet of Washington Street and any other lot actually drained by the new sewer.

It will not do to say that the lots on Grand Street first mentioned ought not to be assessed because the old sewer drained them. The old sewer would be effectually destroyed as to them—had they not the power under the plan of the Water Commissioners to empty their sewer into the new one at the intersection of Grand and Van Vorst Streets.

It is not disputed that the owners of lots between Van Vorst and Henderson Streets must be assessed for the new sewer—and the owners of those derived the same advantages—and I am told greater advantages from the old sewer than they do from the new one.

Let us suppose for an instance that the Water Commissioners refused to allow the owners of lots between Washington and Van Vorst Streets to connect the old sewer with the sewer just constructed. How would they be drained; the answer is—assuming the facts to be correct—that they would not be drained at all. How then are they drained—unless by the construction of the new sewer.

The strongest objection to this line of argument is, that they (the owners of lots between Washington and Van Vorst) being the owners of the fee—in the lands—took a vested right in the sewer constructed in front of their premises before the Water Commissioners had constructed their sewer.

The answer to this is, that they asserted—to the plan as accepted and thereby subjected themselves—to any burthen by reason of the same imposed—besides the wners of propty between Van Vorst and Henderson Streets might as successfully set up the same objection.

The words that follow in the act are, "and shall fix the amount to be paid by each in proportion to their dimensions"

Which means that they shall assess each lot for the proportionate share of all the expenses incurred according to the size of the same.

This does not touch the present subject and I shall not therefore dwell longer upon it.

The next words, "without reference to their situation or value," in my opinion, confirm the view which I have expressed.

Why did the legislature use this language? Had they intended to have the lots along the line of the improvement alone assessed, it is fair to presume that they would have so expressed it, but knowing from an inspection of the plan that lots other than those before whose doors the sewer was constructed would be benefitted thereby. They make provision that these lots should be assessed according to such benefits,

and in their opinion such lots were equally benefitted when drained by the sewer

The words "without regard to situation" repels and demolishes the idea that the Water Commissioners were bound to assess the lots only along the streets where the sewers were actually constructed.

Had the legislature in the act of 1854 instructed the commissioners to assess the land and real estate which would be benefitted by the improvement as they did in the charter of the city, my opinion would have been that the owners of the lots in Grand Street between Henderson and Washington Streets could not have been assessed for the sewer last constructed—inasmuch as they say and I am informed are able fully to prove that they are in nowise benefitted by the same. But the legislature has seen fit (doubtless for good reasons) to entirely change that principle of assessment by the substitution of the principle above mentioned.

The conclusion therefore to which I arrive is. That all the lots actually drained by the new sewer, and above mentioned, are liable to be assessed, for the expense of the same, in the manner directed by the act of 1854.

R. D. McLELLAND, Corporation Attorney.

Alderman Earle from the Committee on Streets presented three sealed proposals with bonds received by said committee in answer to their advertisement for the contract to regulate Morgan street from Grove to Prospect street.

The proposals were received, opened, read, and found to be from William Beard, Enos Cole and James F. Fielder.

The proposals and bonds were referred to the Committee on Streets.

The committee on streets reported as correct the claims referred to them September 28th, 1858, of James F. Fielder, $3187 28, I. B. & D. E. Culver, $60 and H. L. Smith, $110, and the claim referred to them October 5th, 1858, of I. B. & D. E. Culver, $15, all for work and materials in the improvement of Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek.—The reports, were received, adopted, and the claims referred to the committee on assessments to be assessed.

The committee on streets to whom was referred September 21st, 1858, the petition of P. H. Zabriskie to be protected from the encroachments upon his property by the Plank Road Company, presented a report setting forth "that the matter referred to in the petition is one with which the Corporation of Jersey City has no concern as the grievance complained of is one which properly belongs to the Courts of law or equity to redress. The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on public health to whom were referred the petitions of Jesse Hoyt and others; William Dormedy and others and Daniel Page for the abatement of nuisances, presented a report setting forth that they have caused said nuisances to be abated. The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred September 14, 1858, the petition of William Murtagh and others recommending James Gallagan as a suitable person to be licensed to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city to James Gallagan on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred October 5, 1858, the petition of Peter Waggoner for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the Corporate Seal of the City to Peter Waggoner on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 9, 1858, the petition of Jacob Schmidt for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Jacob Schmidt to keep an inn and tavern at Nos. 15 and 17 Montgomery street in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Christie, Earle, Hankins, and Van Vorst,

Absent—Alderman Decker.

The committee on Licenses to whom was referred September 21st, 1858, the petition of Henry Miller for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Henry Miller to keep an inn and tavern at No. 135 Hudson street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Christie, Earle, Hankins and Van Vorst.

Absent—Alderman Decker.

The committee on Licenses to whom was referred May 31st 1858, the petition of James Marriner for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Marriner to keep an Inn and Tavern at the corner of Greene and Montgomery streets in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken

Yeas—Ald. J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Voorhies, Wickware.

Nays - President Thurston, and Aldermen Christie, Earle, Hankins, and Van Vorst

Absent—Alderman Decker.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a report in reference to the purchase of lots on which to erect a City Hall, Station House, &c., accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings are hereby authorized, in the name of the City, to purchase for the sum of eleven thousand five hundred dollars the property located on the west side of the Alley known as Temperance Alley, consisting of four lots of ground, two of which lots front on Newark Avenue and two on Gregory street and which lots are known and designated on Clerk & Bacot's map as Nos. 25, 26, 30, and 32 in block 46, for the purpose of erecting thereon a Common Council Chamber, City Offices Station House, &c., and that for the payment of the purchase money for said lots, a bond or bonds of the City be issued in its Corporate name and under the City seal by the Mayor and City Clerk, on the requisition of the Committee on Finance in favor of the owner or said lots, for said sum of eleven thousand five hundred dollars, said bond or bonds to be drawn payable in fifteen years from their date, with interest payable semi-annually at the rate of six per cent. per annum, said bond or bonds not to be issued until after the title to said lots has been examined by the Corporation attorney, and his certificate that it is perfect, together with a warrantee deed for the same shall have been delivered to the Committee on Public grounds and Buildings, and said Committee shall have notified the Committee on Finance of such delivery of the aforesaid certificate and deed; and provided further that the owner of said lots shall also enter into a written agreement to keep open for the free use of the public the alley running from Newark avenue to Gregory street, adjoining the before mentioned lots and usually designated as Temperance alley.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—All J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays — President Thurston and Aldermen Erwin and Wickware.

Absent—Alderman Decker.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a report in reference to erection of City Hall and other public buildings, accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That the plans of a temporary City Hall and other public buildings submitted to the Common Council July 29, 1856, but which have never been acted upon be referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings with authority to have such alterations made of the same as to them shall seem advisable, and with instructions to report to this Common Council at an early day such corrected plans. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred September 28, 1858, and who have under consideration the petition of C. Van Vorst to have altered the grade of Wayne street between Barrow and Jersey streets so as to correspond with the grade as shown on a map accompanying said petition presented a report accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That Thursday, Oct 28th, 1858 at 1-2 o clock, P. M., be appointed as the time when the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street to hear on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application presented to this Common Council September 28th, 1858, for alteration of the grade of Wayne street, between Barrow and Jersey streets; and that the City Clerk be directed to publish in the Jersey City papers for the length of time required by the City Charter notice of the presentation of the said application and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Alderman Wickware it was unanimously

Resolved, That the rule requiring ballotings be suspended to enable the Board to appoint viva voce Judges of Election to fill vacancies in the several wards.

Whereupon the following appointments were viva voce made by unanimous vote.

Judges of Election in First ward—Phineas C. Dummer, Luke C. Lyman and John H. Broas.

Judges of Election in Second ward—John Wilson and John G. Haybeck, Jr.

Judge of Election in Third ward—Thomas Howe.

Judges of Election in Fourth ward—William Nafew and Royston Tilden.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Earle and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on Washington Square be authorized to cause each section to be graded and drained.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Collctor of Arrears of Taxes.

Aldermen Hankins and Van Vorst were appointed and acted as tellers.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows :

J. B. Cleveland received four votes

G. E. Cutter received nine votes.

Two blanks were cast.

Whereupon George E. Cutter having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed Collector of Arrears of Taxes.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Clarke and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on lamps be and are hereby authorized to have erected two wooden lamp posts, one on the corner of Morris and Van Vorst streets and one on the corner of Essex and Van Vorst streets.

On motion of Alderman J. M. Brown the following entitled ordinance presented and laid upon the table September 7, 1858, was taken up "an ordinance to provide for regulating Bright street from Grove street to Jersey street."

The ordinance was discussed and again laid upon the table on motion of Alderman W. R Brown.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies the following entitled ordinance presented and laid upon the table July 20th, 1858 was taken up for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance amendatory of an ordinance entitled An Ordinance defining the duties of the Collector of Assessments and providing for the collection of the same. Approved July 25th, 1854."

Ald. Earle moved to amend the ordinance by inserting the following words in first section, "and that the Comptroller shall if in his power to do so, serve upon the parties whose property is advertised to be sold, a copy of said advertisement."

The motion to amend was rejected.

The Ordinance was then passed without amendment by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nay—Alderman Tilden.

Absent—Alderman Decker.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, October 19th, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Harnenbergh, Mc Bride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Christie.

The minutes of the regular meeting of October 5th, 1858, and of the adjourned regular meeting of October 12th, 1858, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows :

Petition of Michael McLaughlin, to have error corrected by which a portion of his property was returned amongst the arrearages of taxes of 1857, although the taxes had been previously paid to the Collector. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of Samuel Bridgart and others to have the side walk on the west side of Warren street between Morris and Essex streets paved with a four feet flag, and also fifty feet on Essex street west of Warren. Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of St. Peter's and St. Mary's Churches in relation to taxes of 1857, on lots in blocks 183 and 183, setting forth that they were assessed in the name of another party instead of the real owners name Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of Thomas Meekins to have cancelled the sale of lot 10 Sussex street, for taxes of 1855, the said lot having been erroneously included in the return of arrearages. Referred to committee on finance.

The official bond of John F. Ward, as a City Surveyor, was presented, received, and referred to the Corporation Attorney

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of D. S. Gregory, $210; H. McComb, $8, and Thomas Howe, $7 50. Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of H. A. Miller, $57 34; and Nathaniel Ellis, $27 28.—Referred to the committee on police.

Of H. A. Miller, $10 71; and A. B. Reynolds, $36 62.—Referred to the committee on lamps.

Of Daily Telegraph, $55 64, and $8 07. Referred to the committee on finance.

Of Ward and McGown, $203 80. Referred to the committee on alms.

Of Jersey City Insurance Company, $37 50. Referred to the committee on fire and water.

Of W. B. Dunning $13 16. Referred to the committee on sewers.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of George W. Cassedy, $500; Stephen Quaife, $400; J. V Hardenbergh, $250; David Bedford, $175; R. D. McClellan t, $150; Daily Telegraph, $150; P. D. Vroom, $125; H. B. Dodworth, $111; George W. Cassedy, $75; P. M. Senderling, M. D., $50; F. P. Budden, $25; Michael McGuire, $22; Patrick Tarney, $13 75; John Garvey, $11; John Nicholson, $11; Edward Murtha, $11, and John Cuddy, $2.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committee at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Thomas Royle, $13 30; R. B. Kashow, $8 57; Burst & Co., $6 75; Daily Telegraph, $3 61; Thomas Gafney, $3; Cronham & Wetterson, $2 25; W. B. Dunning, 50 cents and R. B. Kashow, 38 cents.

A communication from P. N. Horsley, Clerk of the Third ward, setting forth that his predecessor Michael Kane refused to deliver up the property in his possession belonging to the city, etc., a though he has been notified to do so, etc, was presented, received and referred to the committee on salaries, offices and elections with power.

A communication from the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department, reporting the suspension of Washington Engine Co. No. 4, was presented, received, and laid upon the table.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, containing returns of the following elections, resignation and expulsion confirmed by the Commissionors of the Jersey City Fire Department :

Elections of William S. Gillelan, Uriah De Hart, and Matthew Waters by Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, and Theodore L. Lutkins by Hose Co. No. 4.

Resignations of R. R. Rappeyea and Michael Kilcauley from Engine Co. No. 3.

Expulsion of James Hill from Engine Co. No. 1.

The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of appointment of a time and place for a hearing of parties interested in the application of C. Spengeman and others for construction of culvert and receiving basin on south-east corner of Greene and Montgomery streets. The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of appointment of a time and place for a hearing of all parties interested in the application of J. J. Pouten and others for construction of sewer in South 7th street from tide water east of Prospect street to Newark avenne with laterals &c.—The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of appointment of a time and place for a hearing of all parties interested in the application of John S. Mark and others for construction of sewer in Railroad avenne, south side, between Grove and Barrow streets. The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of appointment of a time and place for a hearing of all parties interested in the application of W. L Broking and others to have sewer now building in Newark avenue extended up to Brunswick street or so far as to the front of the petitioners property between Monmouth and Brunswick streets. The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of appointment of a time and place for a hearing of all parties interested in the application of W, L. Broking and others for construction of sewer in South 9th street from Newark ave. to the Hudson River. The report was received and ordered filed

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of appointment of a time and place for a hearing of all parties interested in the application of Geo. McLaughlin and others for construction of sewer from junction of Henderson street through Newark avenue and Montgomery street to Hudson River. The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of appointment of a time and place for a hearing of all parties interested in the application of A. Barricklo ane others for construction of culverts on the corner of Morris and Greene streets in the First Ward The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred August 18, 1858, the petition of James Walsh to have sale of his lot cancelled, reported the following resolution in relation thereto.

Resolved, That the sale made by this corporation for taxes of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-four of lot No. 2 in block 245 on South Seventh street be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that the owner of said lot paid to the Collector of Taxes the amount due for taxes of eighteen hundred fifty-four ; and that a warrant for the purchase money together with the interest thereon from the date of said sale at the rate of seven per cent per annum be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser and be delived to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot. The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Finance presented a report recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the return of unpaid Water Rents for the year ending May 1st, 1858 made to this Common Council by the Board of Water Commissioners April 6, 1858 be taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Finance with power to advertise and sell adcording to law, all property designated in said return, upon which the said Water rents have not been paid since the return was made, or which shall not be paid prior to the sale, and that said Committee on Finance are hereby empowered to make all necessary and proper rules and regulations for the government of said sale and to suspend the sale of any or all of the lots described

in said return and to adjourn the same from time to time as to the said Committee shall seem expedient or proper.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance presented a report recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized and requested to issue under their hands and the Corporate seal of the City, declarations of sale to purchasers at the adjourned assessment sale of September 10, 1858, and the adjourned assessment sale of October 13, 1858. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Alderman Hardenbergh offered the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, in the published proceedings of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hudson, certain resolutions appear condemnatory of the Common Council of Jersey City for their action in certain cases; and,

Whereas, The Board of Chosen Freeholders or the County of Hudson, in attempting, at an enormous expense, to vote themselves gold medals, in addition to their usual monthly salaries, dinners for themselves and their invited guests—brought down unexpectedly upon themselves the indignation of the people of Hudson County; and,

Whereas, said Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hudson became suddenly frightened at said public indignation, and caused them to reconsider the votes for the medals, but not for the dinners or salaries.* An ,

Whereas, The said Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hudson, in their anxiety to imitate the Common Council of Jersey City, were determined to wear official emblems, suited to their dignified positions, therefore,

Resolved, That the Board of Chosen Freeholders in accepting to wear for themselves *Leather Medals* have conformed to the public sentiment of the people of Hudson Co. and the Common Council of Jersey City.

Resolved, That the members of this Board agree to loan their official emblems to the Board of Chosen Freeholders upon all public occasions that may engage their attention, on the westerly side of Mill Creek.

The preamble and resolutions were rejected.

On motion of Alderman Hankins it was

Resolved, That the action of the Common Council at its last meeting appointing Thomas Howe a Judge of Election for the Third ward be and is hereby rescinded, for the reason that Mr. Howe is a resident of the Fourth ward.

On motion of Alderman Hankins it was

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended to enable the Board to appoint viva voce a Judge of Election in the Third ward.

Whereupon on motion of Alderman Hankins Smith Mead was unanimously appointed such Judge of Election.

On motion of Alderman McLaughlin it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday the 26th inst, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M

The President submitted a diagram of proposed laying out of Hamilton Square, and on motion of Alderman Hankins it was

Resolved, That the diagram of the proposed plan of laying out Hamilton Square be approved, and that the committee on public grounds and buildings be instructed to have a map made conformable to said plan, and to file the same in the City Clerk's office.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the vote was reconsidered by which Alderman McLaughlin's resolution in relation to insuring Engine Houses, was adopted on the 12th instant.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the resolution was amended by inserting the words "Jersey City Insurance Companies" in place of the words "Jersey City Insurance Company."

On motion of Alderman Earle the resolution was further amended by inserting the words "or a Jersey City Insurance Company."

The resolution as amended was then adopted, and as adopted is as follows:

Resolved That the committee on fire and water be instructed to have the several Engine Houses insured in Jersey City Insurance Companies, or a Jersey City Insurance Company if they deem it for the interest of the city to do so, to an amount not exceeding one half the value of each house.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Wickware and adopted:

Resolved, That the following places be designated in the different wards for holding the approaching election on the 1st Tuesday in November.

1st ward—Engine House, Sussex street, between Washington and Warren.

2nd ward—Hudson Hose No. 1, junction of York and Gregory.

3rd ward—Engine House No. 5, Mercer street.

4th ward—House south-west corner of Grove and Morgan streets.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, October 26, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

In the absence of the President the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Absent—President Thurston, and Alderman McLaughlin.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, Alderman Hardenbergh was appointed President pro tempore.

His Honor the Mayor being present, on motion of Alderman Voorhies he was invited to take a seat on the platform.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Leonard C. McPhail, in relation to erroneous return of tax on lot 26, South 4th street, in block 176, etc. Referred to the committee on finance.

Petition of William Wiley to be appointed a Policeman. Referred to the committee on police.

Petition of Robb & Tucker and others, owners of property on Morgan street between Prospect and Grove streets to have the grade of said Morgan street between said points changed so as to correspond with the grade of Grove street at the intersection of Morgan street.

Referred to the committee on streets; which committee subsequently presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolut on:

Resolved, That the prayer of Wm Robb and others asking that the grade of Morgan street from Grove to Prospect streets be of the same grade as Grove street be granted.

The report was received, and the resolution was adopted.

Petition of John McDonoll and others for permission to erect a hickory pole on the south west corner of Hudson and Grand streets Referred to the committee on streets; which committee subsequently presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer of John McDonoll and others to be permitted to erect a hickory pole as prayed for be granted.

The report was received.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst the resolution was amended by adding the following words "during the pleasure of the Common Council" and as amended was adopted.

Petition of C. Van Vorst to have cancelled the sale of lot No. 23, in Block 39, made for taxes of 1 55, etc.

Referred to committee on finance; which committee subsequently reported the following resolution, which was received and adopted:

Resolved, That the sale made by this Corporation for taxes of 1853, of lot No. 23, in block No 39, sold to Mr. H. M. Traphagen be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that the owner of said lot paid to the Collector of Taxes the amount due for taxes of 1853, and that a warrant be drawn in favor of H. M. Traphagen for the amount of the purchase money together with the interest thereon from the date of said sale at the rate of seven per cent per annum and be delivered to him (H. M. Traphagen) on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot.

The report was received and the resolution was adopted.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of John D. Nolan, $150; and S. A. French, $87 50. Referred to the committee on salaries, offices and elections.

Of Jersey City Gas Light Co., $34 44, and William Pate, $15. Referred to the committee on fire and water.

Of A. Love, $151 25. Referred to the committee on streets

Of Samuel A. French, $19 62. Referred to the committee on alms.

Of Jersey City Gas Light Co., $1 88. Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

A claim of William Whitley amounting to $150, was presented, received, referred to the committee on salaries, offices and elections, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committee at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Ward & McGown, $203 80 ; H. A. Miller $60 71, and $57 34 ; W. B. Dunning, $43 16 ; Patrick Nowlan, $33 ; A. B. Reynolds, $36 62 ; Nathaniel Ellis, $27 28 ; Thomas Royle, $5 27, and W. B. Dunning, $1

The committee on streets to whom was referred Oct. 12, 1858, the claim of W. B. Dunning, amounting to $23 73, reported said claim correct for $18 08, and that amount was ordered paid

A communication was presented and received from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing a return of election of William H. Wiley by Hook & Ladder Co. No. 2, confirmed by the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department.

The communication was received and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

A communication from Matthew Bradley resigning his office as a Policeman was presented, received and accepted.

Communication from the Board of Water Commissioners requesting the cancelling of sale of lot 5 Grove street on block 149, sold November 8, 1856, for water rents due prior to December 20, 1855, and further requesting that the water rents on lot 4, block 149, sold at same sale for $10 36 may be adjusted. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Communication from R. D McClelland Corporation Attorney in relation to the suit now pending between the Corporation of Jersey City and Isaac S. Miller was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

A communication from Washington Engine Co. No. 4, complaining of the decision of the Commissioners of the Fire Department in suspending said Company from duty was presented received and referred to a special and joint committee consisting of Aldermen Voorhees, Erwin and Tilden and the Committee on Fire and Water.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred June 1, 1858, the communication of T. Talcott Simons in relation to sale of his lot 29 South 2d street, on block 178 for taxes presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That when T. Talcott Simmons shall pay into the City Treasury the amount due for taxes of 1851, together with the interest and costs on lot No. 29, block 17[illegible] Erie st, assessed to Mr. Morse, the sale of said lot be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that the said lot was erroneously described and assessed by the Assessors to one M. Morse, and that the sale of the same was erroneous and that a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer for the purchase money together with the interest thereon from the date of said sale at the rate of seven per centum per annum in favor of the purchaser and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred October 19 1858 the petition of Michael McLaughlin asking to have error corrected in regard to taxes of 1857 on portions of his lots presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed not to sell for the taxes of 1857, lot No. 97, and part of lot No. 96 in block 69 assessed to Michael McLaughlin, the taxes for the same having been paid to S. Sinclair, Collector of taxes and his receipt therefore taken. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred Oct. 19, 1858, the petition of St. Peter's and St. Mary's churches in relation to taxes of 1857, presented a report setting forth that the lands sold for taxes of 1857, may be redeemed upon application to the City Clerk. The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred September 14, 1858, the petition of Jacob Weart, Attorney of Edward P. Torrey to have assessment sale cancelled of his lots 111 and 113 Morgan street sold February 15, 1855 for assessment presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That the sale made by this Corporation for assessment on Morgan street of lots No. 111 and 113 Morgan street sold February 15, 1855 to the City Treasurer be cancelled of record by the City Clerk whenever the owner thereof shall have paid into the City Treasury the amount fixed by the arbitrators viz $57 58) and the interest thereon at and after the rate of 15 per cent and all costs and expenses on the same. The report was received and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred June 15, 1858 the petition of John McLaughlin relative to sale of lot No 25, block 107 sold for taxes of 1857, presented a report thereon, setting forth " that the party can redeem upon application to the City Clerk. The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred October 12, 1858, the proposals of Enos Cole, William Beard and James F. Fielder, for the contract to regulate, pave, &c, Morgan street, from Prospect to Grove street, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolutions.

Resolved, That the proposal of Enos Cole to regulate pave &c., Morgan street, from Prospect street to Grove street, presented to this Common Council October 12, 1858, be accepted the same being the lowest of the proposals presented ; that the bond presented with said proposal be returned to him, the same not being properly executed, and that the bond dated 19th October, 1858 and herewith presented by him be approved, and that the contract be awarded to the said Enos Cole, that the proposals of William Beard and James F. Fielder, presented at the same date, be rejected for the reason that neither is as low as the proposal accepted, and that the bonds which accompanied the rejected proposals be returned to the principals named in said bonds.

Resolved, That the contracts for the regulation, paving, etc., of Morgan street from Prospect to Grove street reported by the committee on streets at this meeting of the Common Council, which have been executed by Enos Cole be executed on the part of the city by His Honor the Mayor and by the City Clerk, under its corporate seal. The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The committee on finance to whom were referred June 15th, 1858, the report of the City Clerk of list of unredeemed property sold more than two years ago for unpaid Taxes and Assessments ; on the 18th August 1858, the petition of Michael McKiernan for privilege of redeeming his lot sold August 4, 1856, for taxes of $1 55 ; on the 7th September, 1858, the petition of John Kennedy for privilege of redeeming his lot No. 2, on block No. 222, sold September 4, 1856, to City Treasurer, for unpaid assessment ; and on the 2d September, 1858, the petition of J B Stone for permission to redeem his lot No. 26 South 5th street, but described when sold as lot 26, Newark avenue, sold for taxes of 1856, presented the following report and resolution ; which report was received, ordered to be entered at large in the minutes and the resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred the report (dated June 15th, 1858) of the City Clerk, of unredeemed property sold more than two years ago for unpaid taxes and assessments, and also the petition of John Kennably, (referred Sept. 7, also the petition of Michael McKernan (referred Aug. 18th,) also the petition of J. B. Stone, (refers red Sept 27th, 1858,) relative to redeeming their lots of land sold for unpaid taxes, &c., beg leave to report that they have considered the questions which have arisen on account of the sale of a large amount of property for unpaid taxes and assessments, *in cases where the City Treasurer* has become the purchaser under the authority given by the charter and *where the period of redemption has expired*

First. Your Committee believe it to be true, and therefore report, *that in cases where the City Treasurer* has purchased property for unpaid taxes and assessments and the time for redemption has expired, the Common Council can if the owners of the property so sold pay up the taxes and assessment

for which the property was sold, with interests and expenses discharged the land so sold from the operation of the leases given for such unpaid takes and assessments. Your Committee report that the Common Council not only have the power, but if the owners of the property sold will pay the taxes and assessments, with interests and costs, *they deem it expedient* that the Common Council should release the land sold as before stated; they would recommend that printed notices should be given to the owners of land so sold for taxes and assessments, (if possible) stating that in case the whole amount of unpaid taxes and assessments, together with the interest, at the rate of 15 per centum per annum and all other costs and expenses should be paid into the City Treasury by a given day, the city will release the land sale.

Second. In case the owners of the lands sold will not pay the taxes and assessments with the interests and costs for which the city holds leases, your Committee would recommend that actions of ejectment be brought to dispossess the owners and occupants of the property so sold, or that the city should sell the leases as hereinafter suggested

Third. A suggestion has been made that these leases now held by the city, be assigned to such parties as will pay the taxes, assessments, interests and costs, or who would pay a premium for the leases, and in that case, leave the parties who purchase from the city, the burden and expense of bringing the actions of ejectment. In case parties can be found who will take the leases and pay the city a premium for them, such couse would be preferable to bring the action of ejectment in the name of the city. These leases could be put up for sale to the highest bidder, with the reservation of the right not to sell unless the city could realize the whole amount of taxes, assesssments, interests and costs. This course would relieve the city from a troublesome litigation, and would probably be the most judicious. This kind of litigation would be expensive and could probably be as well conducted by individuals who purchase the leases as by the corporation.

Jersey City, Oct. 16th, 1858.

VAN VORST, HARDENBERGH, EARLE, } Com. on Finance.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to give notice in the Corporation paper, and also the Daily Courier and Advertiser said notice to be continued in said papers to the 1st day of March next—that owners of unredeemed lands sold more than two years ago to the City Treasurer for taxes or assessments, may be redeemed on or before the first day of March 1859, on application to the City Clerk by paying the amount of monies due for said taxes or assessments together with the interest (15 per cent. per annum) which may be due on such taxes or assessments and all other costs and expenses.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the warrants heretofore ordered by the Board to be drawn in payment of the Board of Canvassers for their services in canvassing the returns of the special election held in the Fourth Ward on the 31st August, 1858.

The following resolution was offered by alderman Hankins and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Police be instructed to purchase 10 blankets for the use of the City Prison.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the warrants which have been ordered to be drawn on the Treasurer in favor of Special Policemen for services in August and September last; said warrants having been ordered in payment of services of said Policemen, rendered during the sickness of the regular Policemen, whose compensation was reduced during their inability to perform their duties.

Alderman Wickware stated that John H. Brons appointed on the 12th instant, a Judge of Election in the First ward, declines to serve as said Judge of Election.

On motion of Alderman Wickware it was

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended to enable the Board to appoint viva voce a Judge of Election for the First ward.

Whereupon Brenton B. Grinnell was unanimously appointed such Judge of Election.

On motion of Alderman W. R. Brown it was

Resolved, That all resolutions heretofore passed authorizing insurances to be effected on City property be rescinded, provided this resolution shall not apply to insurance already effected.

On motion of Alderman Tilden it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Sewers be authorized to employ an Engineer to assist them in the examination of the sewerage matters in their hands at an expense not to exceed the sum of twenty-five dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Erwin and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Alms be authorized to effect an insurance of the goods and merchandise on the Alms House ground and in the buildings connected with the same, for the sum of $1,000.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Van Vorst, and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be instructed to effect insurances on the public School Houses and furniture, the Alms House, Work House, and other buildings connected therewith, and that the insurance be in an amount not exceeding one half of the original cost of such buildings and furniture.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Policeman from the Fourth Ward.

Aldermen Decker and Clarke were appointed and acted as tellers.

Five unsuccessful ballotings were had as follows:

First balloting,
John B. Davis received six votes,
John D. Thompson received six votes.
One blank was cast.

Second balloting,
John B. Davis received six votes,
John D. Thompson received seven votes,

Third balloting,
John B. Davis received six votes,
John D. Thompson received seven votes,

Fourth balloting,
John B Davis received six votes,
John D. Thompson received seven votes.

Fifth balloting,
John B. Davis received six votes,
John D Thompson received seven votes.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, November 2d, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Clarke.

The minutes of the regular meeting of October 19th, 1858, and of the adjourned regular meeting of October 26th, 1858, were read and approved.

Alderman Hankins being the only member of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings present, requested the appointment of a member of the Board to act on that Committee for this evening, whereupon Alderman Van Vorst was appointed for that purpose.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of J. F. Richardson, $22 30, and $20; Hugh Billingsley, $17 50, and Mrs. Ann Eaton, $16 50. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Of Drayton & Durant, $73 30; Jacob Erwin, $68 54. and Hugh Reilly. $20 68. Referred to the Committee on Alms.

Of Samuel Cassedy, $31 25, and David Bedford, $15. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Waters Burrows, $100. Referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of William W. Lee, $5 80, and Police Department, $1,357 02. Referred to the Committee on Police.

A claim of J. V. Hardenbergh amounting to $75. was presented, received. referred to the Committee on Finance, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of A. Love, $151 25; John D. Nolan, $150; Jersey City Insurance Company, $87 50; Samuel A. French, $87 50; R. B. Kashow, $84 57; Jersey City Gas Light Co., $34 44; Samuel A. French, $19 62; William Pate, $15; and John A. Bunkle, $10.

The City Treasurer's report for October last, showing a balance in the treasury November 1st, 1858, of $5,944 54, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have altered the grade of Wayne Street, between Barrow and Jersey Streets." The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of the appointment of places for holding the polls at the election this day. The report was received and ordered filed.

A report of the Marshal of the names of absentees at the Common Council meetings held during the months of September and October, with the amount of fines imposed upon such absent Aldermen, was presented and received.

Alderman W. R. Brown moved "That the fines be collected and paid to the Marshal."

On motion of Alderman Earle, the motion was amended so as to read, "That the fines be collected by Alderman W. R. Brown and paid to the Marshal." The motion as amended was adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred September 14, 1858, the application of John J. Bouton and others for the construction of a sewer in South Seventh Street, &c., presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, on the twentieth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, application was made to the Common Council of Jersey City for the construction of a main sewer in South Seventh Street to extend from tide water east of Prospect Street to the intersection of Newark Avenue, and also lateral sewers in Prospect Street from South Sixth to South Eighth Street, and in Grove Street from South Seventh to South Eighth Street, and in Erie Street from South Seventh to South Ninth Street, and in Jersey Avenue from South Seventh to South Eighth Street, and in Coles Street from South Sixth Street to Newark Avenue, and in South Sixth Street from one hundred feet west of Jersey Avenue to Coles Street, and in South Eighth Street from Erie to Grove and from one hundred feet east of Jersey Avenue to Erie Street, and from the intersection of Newark Avenue to Jersey Avenue, together with the necessary culverts, receiving basins, &c., and notice for objections to the same having been duly published and the time for a hearing appointed, and

Whereas the objections made are in the opinion of this Board insufficient to prevent the construction of the above described sewer, with its laterals, &c. Therefore

Resolved, That a main sewer be constructed in South Seventh Street to extend from tide water east of Prospect Street to the interseetion of Newark Avenue, with the laterals described in the above preamble, together with the necessary culverts, receiving basins, &c, according to, and to conform with, the general plan of City Sewerage, and that the Board of Water Commissiones of Jersey City be notified by the City Clerk of the decision of this Common Council in favor of the construction of the above described sewer with its laterals, &c.

The report was received.

The preamble and resolution were not adopted; less than the number of votes (eleven) required under the sewer ordinance being in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays having been taken were as follows:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Decker, Erwin, McBride, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, and Clarke.

The committee on public grounds and buildings to whom were referred by resolution of October 12th, 1858. the plans of a temporary City Hall and other public buildings with authority to have said plans altered, etc., presented a report accompanied by corrected plans of a Station House and Bell Tower and the following resolution:

Resolved, That the plans reported this evening by the committee on public grounds and buildings of a Station House and Bell Tower be approved and filed in the City Clerk's office; that the said committee be authorized to procure specifications conformable to said plan and be also empowered to advertise for proposals for a contract or for contracts to build such Station House and Bell Tower according to the plans and specifications; said proposals to be reported to this Board by the said committee on public grounds and buildings.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted

The President appointed Alderman Christie a member of the following committees to fill the vacancies therein, viz: Fire and water, Ferries and wharves, and Public health, and to act as Chairman of the committee on Public Health.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Van Vorst:

Resolved, That the committee on finance be authorized to borrow in anticipation of the taxes of the year 1858, the sum of five thousand dollars (5000) payable on the twenty third day of December, A. D. 1858, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized on the requisition of the committee on finance to issue under the Corporate Seal of the City a Bond of the city for said amount, payable on the twenty third day of December, A. D. 1858, with interest at and after the rate of seven per centum per annum.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Clarke.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That the City Attorney is hereby instructed to enjoin the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company from laying or raising any railroad track or tracks in Mercer street, or to do any other work on said Mercer street, until the suit now pending against Jersey City, instituted against said city by said Railroad Company be finally settled.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Policeman for the Fourth ward to fill the existing vacancy.

Aldermen Christie and McLaughlin were appointed and acted as tellers, and three ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—

John D. Thompson received seven votes.

John B. Davis received seven votes.

Second balloting—
John D. Thompson received six votes.
John B. Davis received eight votes.
Third balloting—
John D. Thompson received nine votes.
John B. Davis received five votes.
Whereupon John D. Thompson was declared appointed a Policeman.

The committee on police report as correct the claim of the Police Department, referred to said committee, for services for October, 1858, amounting to $1357 02. The report was received.

Alderman Hankins moved "that the claim be paid"

Alderman Hardenburgh moved to amend the motion so as to read as follows: "That all of the claim be paid except the allowance to C. J. Farley, of $44 44 for services as Special Policeman."

After considerable discussion, on motion of Alderman Erwin the whole subject was laid upon the table.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That this Board will henceforth refuse to pay any claim for services performed by any person deputed by the Committee on Police as Policemen excepting such as may serve in cases of sickness of regular policemen.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the subject of the claim of the Police Department for services for October last, was taken up for consideration.

Alderman Hardenbergh's motion to amend the motion to pay the claim was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Tilden, Hardenbergh and Earle.

Yeas—President Thurston, Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, McBride, Tilden and Wickware.

Nays—Alermen Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Clarke.

The motion to pay the claim of the Police Department, as reported by the committee on police, was then adopted.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, November 16th 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle. Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, and Voorhies.

Absent—Aldermen Van Vorst and Wickware.

The minutes of the regular meeting of November 2d, 1858, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc, were presented, received, and disposed of as follows :

Petition of Martin Ward, asking to be allowed compensation as a Policeman, during his sickness. Referred to committee on police.

Petition of R. K. Cornelison, asking to be relieved from all taxation having reference to lighting the streets of the city with gas, for the reason that he receive no benefit from the contract between the city and the Jersey City Gas Light Company. Referred to committee on lamps.

Communication from R. B. Kashow in reference to his claim for rent of Comptroller's Office, referred to committee on public grounds and buildings on the 11th October last, and not yet reported on, etc. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Communication from Thomas Blaney praying the aid of the Common Council in collecting his rent of Levi W. Towle Aid to the Chief of Police. Referred to committee on police.

Official bond of George E. Cutter, as Collector of Arrears of Taxes, with John Van Vorst and James McLaughlin as sureties. Referred to Corporation Attorney.

Petition of Abraham Van Buskirk to have cancelled the sale of his lot No. 2, in block 199, made for the assessment for regulation of Coles street, the same having been previously paid to the Collector of Assessments. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of Charles Arelle for a license to peddle fish and vegetables. Referred to committee on licenses.

Petition of Henry Forbes for a license to sell fruit, fish and vegetables. Referred to committee on licenses.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows :

Of Ward & McGown, $222 92 ; Isaac Wakefield, $23 72 ; M. Sharp, $20 ; Frederick Porrett, $18 39, and T. C. Brown, Attorney, $9 55. Referred to the committee on alms.

Of Jersey City Gas Light Co., $50 90 ; James Key, $50 ; R.B Kashow, $37 50 ; Jasper Wandle, $31 25,and $31 25 ; J.B.Stone, $30; and E. Pray, $7 39. Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of John J. Wanner, $28 ; Thomas Howe, $10, and $10, and $9 59 ; and W D. Stivers, $2 12. Referred to the committee on fire and water.

Of Stephen Quaife, $41 40 ; William B. Dunning, $30 60 and $25 20. Referred to the committee on finance.

Of I. B. & D. E. Culver, $63 07. Referred to the special committee on Washington Square improvement.

Of William B. Dunning, $2 64. Referred to the committee on streets.

Of Mrs. George R. Orcutt, $23 13 ; M. Sharp, $15 88 and $13 38, and George G. Brown, $10 25. Referred to the committee on police.

Of William B. Dunning, 36 cents. Referred to the special committee appointed October 26, 1858, on communication from Engine Co. No 4, complaining of action of Commissioners of Fire Department in suspending said Company from duty.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of John J Hill, $1224 44 ; Jersey City Gas Light Co., $972 75, and $660 ; John Coar, $595 ; H A. Miller, $67 41 ; Frederick Porrett, $63 84 ; Michael McGuire, $50 ; Joseph H. Rommel, $50 ; M. Sharp, $31 76 ; Patrick Tarney, $31 25 ; Edward Murtha, $27 ; Nathaniel Ellis, $26 97 ; John Nicholson, $25 ; John Garvey, $25 ; John Coar, $24 20 ; J. M. Clark, $15 ; Samuel Hamilton, $10 ; Jersey City Gas Light Co. $9 , John Finerty. $8 26 ; Thomas Howe, $4 90 ; Thomas Kelly, $4 40 ; Michael Griffin. $3 ; P. N. Horsley, $2 50 ; William B. Dunning, $2 34 ; and W D. Stivers, $2 18.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committee at former meeting of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Drayton & Durant, $73 30 ; Jacob Erwin, $68 54 ; J. F. Richardson, $22 30 ; Hugh Reilly, $20 68 ; J. F. Richardson, $20 ; Hugh Billingsley, $17 50 ; Mrs. Ann Eaton, $16 50, and William W. Lee, $5 80.

Communications were presented and received from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department containing returns of the following resignations from the Fire Department, confirmed by the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department.

Of John D. Thompson from Hook and Ladder Company No. 2 ; James M Court from Hose Company No. 4 ; and D. T Hegel from Hose Company No. 3.

The action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The report of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending October 31, 1858, was presented, received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows:

To the Honorable the Common Council :

In accordance with the existing police ordinance—the Chief of Police respectfully submits the following report—exhibiting the number of persons apprehended each month for divers misdemeanors and other offences, together with their age, color, profession and degree of education, from the first day of August, 1858, to the first day of November 1858, inclusive.

Offences.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Total
Assault & Battery	10	10	6	26
Assault on Officers	3	3		6
Burglary		5	3	7
Bastardy			1	1
Disorderly Conduct	10	6	2	18
Exposure of person	1			1
Fighting in the streets	4	10	7	21
Fraud			1	1
Feloneous assault			2	2
Grand Larceny	4	4	15	23
Insulting Females	1			1
Intoxication	29	19	36	84
Intox. and dis. conduct	59	45	37	141
Malicious mischief		1		1
Petit larceny	8	2	11	21
Picking pockets			1	1
Passing counterfeit money		5	2	7
Suspicion of theft	2	2	1	5
Threatening life		1		1
Violation of City Ordinances	5		7	12
Vograncy	11	3	2	16
Witness		1		1
	147	116	134	397

Age, place of birth, color, profession and degree of education, classified as follows :

Age.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Total
Ten to Twenty	23	8	16	47
Twenty to Thirty	46	39	26	111
Thirty to Forty	44	44	55	143
Forty to Fifty	27	22	34	83
Over Fifty	7	3	3	13
	147	116	134	397
Where Born.				
United States	29	27	28	84
Ireland	100	75	93	268
England	8	2	2	12
Scotland	4	2	2	10
Germany	6	8	8	2
Oter Places			1	1
	147	116	134	397
Professions.				
Have Trades	51	28	31	110
No Trades	93	88	103	287
	147	116	134	397
DEGREE OF EDUCATION.				
Read and Write.				
Read and Write	77	69	52	198
Read	1	1	2	4
Neither	69	64	62	195
	147	134	116	397

COLOR.				
White	145	113	133	391
Black	2	3	1	6
	147	116	134	397

Report of Chief of Police, showing the number of persons accomodated with lodgings at the Station House, each month, together with their place of birth, age, color, profession and degree of education from the first day of August, 1858, to the first day of November, 1858.

Number of persons accommodated with lodgings each month—

August 275 ; September, 241 ; October, 401. Total 917.

Age, place of birth, color, profession, and degree of education, classified as follows;

AGE,	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Total
Under Ten years	10	34	1	11
Ten to Twenty	27	34	30	91
Twenty to Thirty	84	80	133	297
Thirty to Forty	63	71	136	270
Forty to Fifty	57	36	63	156
Over Fifty	34	20	38	82
	275	241	401	917
WHERE BORN.				
United States	47	38	44	129
Ireland	149	126	220	495
England	39	40	47	126
Scotland	11	11	19	41
Germany	22	24	65	111
France	1		2	3
Other Places	6	2	4	12
	275	241	401	917
COLOR				
White	272	241	399	912
Black	3		2	5
	275	241	401	917
PROFESSION.				
Have Trades	92	88	115	295
No Trades	183	153	286	622
	275	241	401	917
DEGREE OF EDUCATION.				
Read and Write	159	191	274	624
Read	8		3	11
Neither	108	50	124	282
	275	241	401	917

Report made by Chief of Police, showing the number of persons arrested by the department from the first day of August 1 58, to the first day of November, 1858, and by whom such arrests were made.

Number of persons arrested 397.

By whom made—Chief, intoxication and disorderly conduct 1 : intoxication 1 ; assault and Battery 2 ; vagrancy 1 ; burglary 4 ; grand larceny 1 , petit larceny 1 ; total 11.

Aid Ayres—intoxication and disorderly conduct 2 ; assault and battery 1 ; total 3

Aid Towle—Passing counterfeit money 1 ; grand larceny 1 ; witness 1 ; assault and battery 2 ; petit larceny 1 ; total 6.

Baldwin—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 5 ; intoxication 4 ; fighting in the streets 1 ; grand larceny 1 ; felonious assault 1 ; total 12.

Chase—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 8 ; intoxication 6 assaulting officers 1 ; violation of Corporation ordinances 2 ; disorderly conduct 1 ; grand larceny 1 ; total 19.

Carroll —Intoxication and disorderly conduct 6 ; intoxication 2 ; fighting in the streets 1 ; grand larceny 2 ; disorderly conduct 1 ; insulting females 1 ; total 13.

Hurly—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 4 ; intoxication 2 ; petit larceny 2 ; burglary 1 ; disorderly conduct 1 ; total 10.

Valide—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 2 ; intoxication 2 ; assault and battery 1 ; passing counterfeit money 1 ; violation corporation ordinance 1 ; petit larceny 1 ; total 8.

Callahan—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 2 ; intoxication 5 ; disorderly conduct 1 ; assaulting officers 2 ; petit larceny 1 ; fighting in the streets 1 ;assault and battery 1 ; grand larceny 1 ; fraud 1 ; total 13.

Bennett—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 14 ; intoxication 2 ; suspicion of theft 1 ; fighting in the streets 2 ; grand larceny 1 ; petit larceny 2 ; total 22.

O'Donnell—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 4 ; intoxication 6 ; disorderly conduct 2 ; petit larceny 2 ; assaulting officers 1 ; vagrancy 4 ; grand larceny 1 ; total 20.

Murphey—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 2; intoxication 7 ; vagrancy 2 ; malicious mischief 1 ; total 12.

Scheel—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 5 ; intoxication 6 ; vagrancy 1 ; total 12.

Killcauley—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 19 ; intoxication 4 ; assault and battery 3 ; malicious mischief 1 ; vagrancy 1 ; fighting in the streets 2 · passing counterfeit money 1 ; picking pockets 1 ; suspicion of theft 2 ; petit larceny 2 ; disorderly conduct 1 ; total 30.

Strong—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 10 ; intoxication 1 ; grand larceny 2 ; suspicion of theft 2 ; petit larceny 1 ; fighting in the streets 4 ; assault and battery 3 ; disorderly conduct 2 ; bastardy 1 ; total 26

Robins—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 5 ; intoxication 2 ; petit larceny 3 ; assault and battery 1 ; grand larceny 2 , total 13.

Ward—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 5 ; intoxication 3 ; petit larceny 1 ; grand larceny 1 ; passing counterfeit money 1 ; fighting in thes treets 1 ; total 12.

J. L. Ayres—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 6 ; intoxication 3 disorderly conduct 1 ; Felonious assault 1 ; petit larceny 1 ; total 12.

McNamara—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 3 ; intoxication 3 ; disorderly conduct 1 ; fighting in the streets 3 ; threatening life 1 ; grand larceny 1 ; total 12.

McLaughlin—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 1 ; intoxication 1 ; grand larceny 1 ; total 3.

Moulds—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 3 ; intoxication 1 : disorderly conduct 1 ; assault and battery 1 ; assault on officers 1 ; fighting in the streets 1 ; total 18.

Duffey—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 3 ; intoxication 3 , petit larceny 1 ; vagrancy 1 ; disorderly conduct 1 ; grand larceny 2 fighting in the streets 1 ; assault and battery 3 ; total 15.

Jordon—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 6 ; intoxication 2 ; violation of corporation ordinance 1 : passing counterfeit money 1 ; total 10.

Chazotte—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 5 ; intoxication 1 ; fighting in the streets 1 ; assault and battery 1 ; grand larceny 1 ; total 9.

Davis— Intoxication and disorderly conduct 10 ; intoxication 7 ; petit larceny 2 ; assault and battery 3 ; vagrancy 2 ; disorderly conduct 1; suspicion of theft 1; fighting in the streets 1 ; total 27.

Van Riper—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 4 ; petit larceny 1 ; disorderly conduct 2 ; burglary 1 , vagrancy 1 ; total 9.

Farley—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 1 petit larceny 1 ; burglary 2 ; total 4.

Van Voorhies—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 2 ; intoxication 2 ; total 4.

Holloway—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 2 ; intoxication 1 ; total 3.

Daly—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 3 , intoxication. 3 ; petit larceny 1 ; total 7.

Bradley—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 3 ; intoxication 2 ; vagrancy 1 ; total 6.

Smith—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 2 ; intoxication 4 ; petit larceny 1 ; assault and battery 1 ; disorderly conduct 2 ; fighting in the streets 1 ; violation of corporation ordinances 3 ; total 14.

Sanford—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 1 ; grand larceny 1 ; violation of corporation ordinance 3 ; total 5.

Total number of arrests 397.

Money and property taken from lodgers and prisoners and at the proper time restored, monies $187 19, and 2 silver watches, one chain, gold, and divers articles.

Number of days lost by sickness 33, with leave 43, without leave 19—Total 95.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

BENJ. HAINES, Jr., Chief of Police.

Jersey City, Nov. 3, 1858.

The report of the Superintendent of the Almshouse for the quarter ending October 31, 1858, was presented, received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows .

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen,—The Superintendent of the Almshouse respectfully presents to your honorable body, his quarterly report ending Oct. 31st, 1858.

The number of persons remaining in the institution and admitted within the above period was 130. Of which number there were—

Male adults	37
Female adults	40
Children	53
	130

Discharged:	
Male adults	14
Female adults	23
Children	20
Died, Male adults	4
" Female adults	1
	62

Remaining in the institution, 68.

The expenses of the institution within the above period were, $1,462 15. On the following account:

Groceries	$1259 19
Dry Goods	88 61
Feed for horse, cow, and hogs	50 60
Straw for beds	5 84
Hardware	14 53
Shoes	8 00
Interments	18 50
Fluid	4 38
Soap	12 50
	$1462 15
Goods on hand valued at	925 50
The actual cost of the Almshouse was	$536 65

The general health of the inmates has been good, considering their condition when admitted.

The male inmates that are able, are daily employed in picking rope in the workhouse; we have no return as yet, therefore, I cannot make any report, but say they are picking rope for Mr. Mills.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM WHITLEY,

Overseer of the Poor and Superintendent of the Almshouse.

Jersey City Nov 2d, 1858.

The report of the Overseer of the Poor for the quarter ending October 31, 1858, was presented, received and ordered to be printed in the minutes:

Said report being as follows:

To the Hon the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen—The Overseer of the Poor respectfully presents to your *Hon.* Body his quarterly report for the quarter ending October 31st, 1858, from which it will appear that 160 adults and 138 children have received relief in groceries and provisions.

Within that period the expenses of the Department have been $304 17, on the following account:

Groceries and provisions	$228 71
Children to nurse	12 00
Transportation of paupers	26 00
Shoes	4 00
Interments	34 00
	$304 17

In the distribution of the charities of the city, I have acted with a view to the best interest of all concerned in an economical distribution of the public money in relieving the pressing necessities of the distressed and in this course I hope I have the approbation of the Mayor and Common Council and of the community in general.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WHITLEY,
Overseer of the Poor.

Jersey City, Nov. 2nd 1858.

The report of the Recorder for the quarter ending October 31, 1858, was presented, received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows:

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

In pursuance of the charter and obligation imposed upon me as Recorder of the City of Jersey City I most respectfully beg leave to submit unto your Honorable Body my last quarterly report ending October 31st, 1858.

There were arrested by the City Police in the month of August, one hundred and thirty four persons who were disposed of as follows:

28 fined two dollars each.
35 committed to the City Prison.
16 " " County Workhouse.
7 " " County Jail.
8 held to bail.
40 discharged.

In the month of September one hundred and seventeen were arrested and disposed of as follows:

27 fined two dollars each.
2 fined ten dollars each.
20 committed to the City Prison.
13 committed to the County Workhouse.
14 " " County Jail.
2 " " Alms House.
8 held to bail.
31 discharged.

In the month of October one hundred persons were arrested and disposed of as follows:

15 fined two dollars each.
25 committed to the City Prison.
9 " " County Workhouse.
5 committed to County Jail.
2 " to Alms House.
4 held to bail.
40 discharged

The total amount of fines received during the quarter ending October 31st, 1858, being one hundred and sixty dollars. I have paid the same to the City Treasurer.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID BEDFORD, Recorder.

The official bond of John F. Ward as City Surveyor referred to the Corporation Attorney, October 19, 1858, was reported back by that Officer as drawn in legal form. The report was received and the bond approved and ordered filed

A communication from the Corporation Attorney informing the Common Council of the condition of the case of Holmes against the city, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A certificate of I. B. & D. E. Culver, City Surveyors certifying that James F. Fielder is entitled to $2000 on his contract for labor and materials furnished in the improvement of Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek was presented, received and referred to the committee on assessments.

A communication from the Board of Water Commisioners requesting the cancelling of sale of lot No. 6, on block No 223, South Sixth street, belonging to John Tysoe sold November 8, 1856, for water rents due prior to December 20. 1855, the same having been paid at the Water Commissioners office, was presented, received and referred to the Committes on Finance.

The following communication was presented from the Board of Education:

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education held at the City Clerk's office on Wednesday evening, November 10, 1858.

It was resolved that requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims; of

John Van Vorst for rent of Colored School Room to 1st inst.,	$18 75
Keeney & Halliday, for bill mason work,	4 72

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, Nov 16, 1858.

The communication was received; and the following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That warrants be drawn in favor of John Van Vorst for $18 75, and of Keeney & Halliday for $4 72, in accordance with requisition of Board of Education.

Alderman Earle, from the Committee on Assessments, presented the report, map, and schedule of the Board of Commissioners for Assessments of the improvement for regulating Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek including intersections, and the same were received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office,

His Honor the Mayor being present, presented to the Board

a notice of application for a certiorari in the matter of the opening of Montgomery street, served upon him but which was afterwards explained to have been served in error by the Attorney of the plaintiff.

The notice was received and ordered filed.

His Honor the Mayor also presented a statement made by the Comptroller of the amount of appropriations under the Tax Ordinance, with an account of the amounts expended and unexpended. The communication was received, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said statement being as follows:

Statement of expenditures for six months from May 1st to November 1st, 1858, on accounts provided for by Tax Appropriation.

	Appropriation.	Expended.	Unexpended
Street repairing	$3,000	2431 19	568 18
Street cleaning	2,500	693 75	1 06 25
Street lighting	8,000	2001 56	5998 44
Police	16,000	6794 49	9275 51
Almshouse and Hospital	7,000	2872 74	4127 26
City prison	600	241 11	358 89
Public Schools	11,000	5824 05	5175 95
Fire engine and apparatus	1,000	373 72	626 28
Payment of salaries	10,600	2462 50	8137 50
Scrivener for City Clerk	300	75 00	225 00
Rent of buildings	1,500	175 00	1325 00
Printing, stationery and supplies	750	926 40	———
Public buildings improvement and repairs of	2,000	1370 87	629 13
Payment of interest	4,500	2950 24	1549 76
Sinking fund	500	—	500 00
Water rents on hydrants, &c.	1000	—	1000 00
Do. do public build	200	—	200 00
Legal expenses and counsel fees	300	103 95	196 05
Protection public health, &c.	200	250 00	—
Expenses of election	175	52 03	122 97
Improvement of Hamilton sq.	2,000 10	2,433 01	1318 09
Balance brought forward	1,751		
Improvement Washington sq.	1,500	—	1500 00
Repairing and cleaning sewers	250	128 79	121 21
Celebration of 4th of July	500	489 00	11 00
Erection of pub. school house	12,000	—	12000 00
City emblems	200	200 00	—
Total	$89326 10	32779 90	56773 10

A communication was also presented by his honor the Mayor in reference to the subject of sewerage, and suggesting the necessity of obtaining relief from the Legislature for the injustice which will be done in destroying old sewers to accommodate property to be drained by building and extending new ones, &c.

The communication was received and ordered filed.

Alderman Voorhies mooved

"That a Special Committee of three be appointed to draft an act to be presented to the Legislature carrying out the views contained in the communication of his honor the Mayor."

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the motion was amended so as to read

"That the Joint Committee on Laws and Ordinances and Sewers be instructed to draft an act to be presented to the Legislature carrying out the views contained in the communication of his honor the Mayor."

The motion as amended was adopted.

The Mayor also gave his reasons for declining to sign warrants on the Treasurer in favor of the Aldermen who acted as Canvassers of the recent special election in the Fourth ward, it being forbidden by the 41st Section of the City Charter, &c.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred August 3d, 1858, the remonstranc of James T Barns and others against the construction of a sewer in South 7th street, reported back the same and were discharged from its further consideration.

The Committee on Assessments presented a report accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the remonstrance presented to the Common Council July 11th, 1854, by Charles J. Smith and others against the confirmation of the assessment for filling in Steuben street between Washington and Prospect streets be taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments presented a report and the following resolution in reference to the report, schedule and map of the improvement for regulating Grove street, from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek, presented to the Common Council at this meeting.

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to give notice through the Jersey City papers that the Board of Commissioners for Assessments report map and schedule of the improvement of Grove street, from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek, including intersections, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the first Tuesday in December next, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to consider said assessment, and to receive and consider all objections to such assessment which may be presented in writing.

The Report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments presented a report in reference to the subject of the assessment for the filling in of Steuben street, between Washington and Prospect streets, accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That one and one half per cent be added for Collectors fees to the amount of the assessment for filling in of Steuben street, between Washington and Prospect streets and that said assessment be confirmed.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—Aldermen Erwin and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Van Vorst and Wickware.

The Committee on Assessments, to whom was referred at this meeting of the Common Council the certificate of I. B. & D. E. Culver, City Surveyors, that James F. Fielder, is entitled to Improvement Certificates on his contract for regulating Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek, including intersections; presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That Improvement Certificates be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of James F. Fielder, for two thousand dollars, being two-thirds of the amount of his bill, as per contract, for the improvement of Grove street between Pavonia avenue and Mill Creek, and that his honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Van Vorst and Wickware.

The committee on sewers presented a report accompanied by the following preamble and resolution on the application of A. Bawicklo and others, presented June 15, 1858, for the construction of culverts and receiving basins on the corners of Morris and Greene streets.

Whereas an application was made to the Common Council of Jersey City at its meeting held June 15th, 1858, for the construction of culverts and receiving basins on the corners of Morris and Greene streets in the First ward, and a time for a hearing on its merits, all parties interested in said application having been appointed before the appropriate committee of said Common Council due notice of the appointment of which time and place for a hearing having been duly published in the Jersey City papers for the length of time required by law, and no party or parties having objected to the construction of said culverts and receiving basins. Therefore

Resolved, That a culvert and receiving basin be constructed on the north east corner, and also a culvert and receiving basin on the north west corner of Morris and Greene streets to connect with the sewer now built in Morris street and that the City Clerk be directed to give notice of this determination of the Common Council to the Board of Water Commissioners.

The report was received.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Ald. J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Van Vorst and Wickware.

The committee on streets presented a report accompanied by the following resolution on the application of Samuel Bridgart and others prosented October 19, 1858, to have the sidewalk in Warren street between Morris and Essex streets, paved, etc.

Resolved, That Friday, December 10, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street is hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the committee on streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council October 19, 1858, by Samuel Bridgart and others to have Warren street sidewalk paved with a four feet flag between Morris and Essex on the west side of Warren, and also fifty feet on Essex street west of Warren, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the two Jersey City papers notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was reeeived and the resolution adopted.

The committee on sewers presented a report accompanied by the following resolution on the application of C. Spengeman and others presented August 18, 1858, for the construction of a receiving basin and culvert at the south east corner of Greene and Montgomery streets and submitting the following entitled ordinance, "An ordinance to provide for the construction of a culvert and receiving basin on the south east corner of Greene and Montgomery streets."

Resolved, That for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the preliminary proceedings in the matter of the construction of a culvert and receiving basin at the south east corner of Montgomery and Greene streets in case the same shall not be proceeded with the parties interested in the application for said improvement are hereby required to pay into the City Treasury the sum of seventy-five dollars.

The report was received and the resolution adopted; and the ordinance was laid upon the table.

The committee on streets presented a favorable report on the petition of Charles Krugler and others presented September 14, 1858, to have Jersey street opened into and extended to Jersey avenue accompanied by the following extitled ordinance.

"An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from the northerly terminus of Jersey street over Newark avenue to such point in Jersey avenue as will cause Jersey street and Jersey avenue to be one continuous street."

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The committee on streets to whom was referred September 28, 1858, the petition of C. Van Vorst to have the grade of Wayne street between Grove and Barrow streets altered so as to conform with map presented with said petition presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following entitled ordinance.

"An ordinance declaring the grade of Wayne street between Barrow street and Jersey street."

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The Committee on Licenses to whomwas referred June 16, 1858, the petition of Arthur McElrath for a license to keep an inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a licenee be granted to Arthur McElrath to keep an inn and tavern at No. 11 Grand street in the First Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—Poesident Thurston and Aldermen Decker, Earle, and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Van Vorst and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred September 21, 1858, the petition of Owen McCue for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Owen McCue to keep an inn and tavern at corner of Grove and Morgan streets in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Earle and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Van Vorst and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred June 15, 1858, the petition of John McCoy for a license to keep an inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution

Resolved, That a license be granted to John McCoy to keep an inn and tavern at No. 164 Newark avenue in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Earle, and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Van Vorst and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 2, 1858, the petition of William Lyon for a license to keep an inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to William Lyon to keep an inn and tavern at No. 5 Newark avenue in the Second Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Decker, Earle and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Van Vorst and Wickware.

The Committee on License to whom was referred July 3d, 1858, the peiition of James Smith for a license to keep an inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Smith to keep an inn and tavern at No, 22 York street in the Second Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Earle, and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Van Vorst and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 2d, 1858, the petition of Dennis S. Kelly for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Dennis S. Kelly to keep an Inn and Tevern, at the house he dwells in Steuben street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Earle, and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Van Vorst and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 6th, 1858, the petition of T. P. Broadley, for a license to keep an In and Tavern, presented a favorable report thereon accom-

panied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license be granted to T. P. Broadley to keep an inn and tavern at No. 70 Montgomery st., in the Second Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received. The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenburgh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Earle, and Hankins

Absent—Aldermen Van Vorst and Wickware.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred June 15, 1858, the petition of Patrick Toner, for a license to keep an inn and tavern, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved—That a license be granted to Patriek Toner to keep an inn and Tavern at No. 4 Prospect street, in the Second Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R Brown, Christie, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies,

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Earle and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Van Vorst and Wickware.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred July ?d, 1858, the petition of Thomas Dwyer for a license to keep an inn and tavern presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Thomas Dwyer to keep an inn and tavern at No. 32 Prospect street in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Ald. Decker, Earle, and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Van Vorst and Wickware.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Whereas, efforts are now being made by the ladies of Jersey City, organized as the Mount Vernon Association, to raise funds towards the purchase of the Tomb of Washington.

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor and City Clerk be requested to invite Hon. Edward Everett to repeat before the citizens of Jersey City at such time as may best suit his convenience his matchless oration on Washington, provided that in case of the acceptance of such invitation the proceeds shall be handed to the ladies of the Mount Vernon Association to be forwarded by them to the Parent Society.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of the Jersey City Fire Department Fund for three hundred dollars, being their yearly donation to the Fund.

On motion of Alderman Earle the resolution was laid upon the table.

On motion of Alderman McLaughlin it was

Resolved, That the action of the Common Council on the 2nd instant in ordering the payment of a claim of John A. Bunkle, amounting to $10, be rescinded, the claim having been already paid.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman W. R. Brown and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on streets be hereby authorized to do all necessary repairs on streets until the next regular meeting.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to have the following notice published in the city papers for the space of six weeks.

NOTICE

Is hereby given that application will be made at the next session of the State Legislature for sundry amendments to the charter of Jersey City.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on the City Charter be authorized to expend the sum of fifty dollars in order to define the city boundaries.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. McLaughlin and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to expend a sum of four hundred and fifty dollars for purchasing 1000 feet of hemp hose for the Fire Department.

The following resolution was offered by Aldermen Mc Laughlin and adopted

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to expend a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars for the purchase of coal and stoves.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That no permission shall be given by this Common Council for the erection of any pole or poles in any of the public streets unless sufficient guaranty shall be given to the committee on streets that upon their removal no cost of such removal shall be paid from the treasury of the city.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That when this Board adjourn it adjourns to meet next Tuesday evening at this place at 7 1-2 o'clock.

On motion of Alderman Earle, seconded by Alderman Voorhies, the vote was reconsidered by which was rejected at the last meeting of the Common Counsil, the preamble and resolution providing for the construction of a sewer on South Seventh street

On motion of Alderman Earle the report, preamble and resolution were recommitted to the committee on sewers with instructions to report as to the number of petitioners for and of those opposed to the building of said sewers, and the grounds of their objections.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, November 23d, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen W R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden and Voorhies.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, McLaughlin, Van Vorst and Wickware.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows :

Petition of Alfred Berry to be appointed a Private Policeman. Referred to the committee on Police.

Petition of John Pringle, for the erection of two gas lamps in Bright street, between Grove and Barrow streets. Referred to the committee on lamps.

Petition of James Flemming and others for the abatement of nuisances on Bright street and on York street between Grove and Barrow streets caused by vacant lots covered with stagnant water, etc. Referred to the committee on public health.

Petition of Robert Donshea and others to have Wayne street, east of Greene street, filled up to the established grade, paved, curbed, and guttered, etc. Referred to the joint committee on streets and ferries and wharves.

A communication from Charles J. Farley was presented, read, and on motion of Alderman Tilden ordered to be returned to Mr. Farley on account of its disrespectful character.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Of Daily Telegraph, $81 07, $56 86, and $14 38. Referred to the committee on finance.

Of A. B. Reynolds, $42 24. Referred to the committe on lamps.

Of John B. Haight, $41 80. Referred to the committee on fire and water.

Of A. B. Reynolds, $3 60. Referred to the committee on salaries, offices and elections.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards re-

ported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of William Coleman, $49 97, and $1 ; and Patrick Coyle, $22 93.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Mrs. George R. Orcutt, $23 13 ; M. Sharp, $20 ; Frederick Porrett, $18 39 ; M. Sharp, $15 88, and $13 38 ; George G. Brown, $10 25 ; T. C. Brown, Attorney, $9 55 ; and Wm. B. Dunning, $2 64.

A claim of Isaac Wakefield, amounting to $23 72, referred to the committee on alms November 16, 1858, was reported correct by said committee for $23 82, and that amount ordered paid.

A claim of Ward & McGown, amounting to $222 92, referred to the committee on Alms November 16, 1858, was reported correct by said committee for $223 92, and that amount ordered paid.

The official bond of George E. Cutter as Collector of Arrears of Taxes, referred to the Corporation Attorney November 16, 1858, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the bond approved and ordered filed.

A communication from the Comptroller stating that he has examined the books of the Collector of Taxes for 1857, containing a statement of the result of said examination, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Special Committee to whom was referred October 26, 1858, the communication from Washington Engine Co. No. 4, complaining of the decision of the Fire Commissioners in suspending said Company from duty, presented a report accompanied by the evidence taken in the case.

The report was received and laid upon the table.

The Committee on Police to whom was referred November 16, 1858, the petition of Martin Ward, asking to be allowed compensation as a policeman during his sickness, presented a report adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioner.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was recommitted Sept. 21, 1858, their report on the remonstrances referred to them July 27, 1858, against the opening of Montgomery street, presented a report setting forth that they arrive at the same conclusion contained in their previous report, under the advisement of the City Attorney and recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That this Common Council will proceed no further in the matter of the opening of Montgomery street under the application presented June 17, 1856 for the reason that more than one half of the owners of the lands to be assessed for said improvement have remonstrated against the same under the aforesaid application.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Lamps returned the petition referred to them on the 16th inst, of Richard Cornelison to be exempted from taxes for gas, &c., returned the same and it was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the communication of the Clerk of the Commissioners of the Fire Department presented on the 19th October last. notifying the Common Council of the suspension of Engine Company No 4, by the said Commissioners, was taken from the table.

After being discussed the communication was again laid upon the table, on motion of Alderman Tilden.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That the City Attorney be and he is hereby instructed to enforce an ordinance in relation to the speed of locomotives in Jersey City, approved Sept. 4th, 1856.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Voorhies and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Assessments be instructed to employ a surveyor of the city, and laborers, if necessary, to make excavations to assist the Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court to re-assess street improvements.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Special meeting at the City Clerk's Office, Wednesday, December 1st, 1858, at one o'clock P. M. called by his Honor the Mayor for the purpose of proceeding in a body to the funeral of Selah Hill, Esq., formerly one of the Board.

In the absence of the President, the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Voorhies, Wickware.

Absent—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, Christie, Hankins, McLaughlin and Van Vorst.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, Alderman Tilden was appointed President pro tempore.

The call of the meeting was read by the City Clerk.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That this Board have heard with profound regret of the death of Selah Hill, a former member of this Board.

Resolved, That while we bow with submission to this stroke of Divine Providence, we cannot but give expression to our heartfelt sense of grief at the sudden removal from our midst of a citizen so distinguished for his integrity and public zeal.

Resolved, That the members of this Board attend in a body his funeral.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to his family, signed by the Mayor of the city, the President of this Board and the City Clerk.

Resolved, That this Board do now adjourn.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, December 7th, 1858, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Absent—Alderman J. M. Brown, Hankins and Wickware.

The minutes of the regular meeting of November 16, 1858, of the adjourned regular meeting of November 23, 1858, and of the special meeting of December 1st, 1858, were read and approved.

Petitions were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of D. S. Manners and others to have the Steuben street assessment submitted to arbitrators on the same conditions as the Morgan street arbitration, etc. Referred to committee on assessments.

Of John Pringle and others to have side walk laid on Bright street on the north side, between Grove and Barrow streets. Referred to committee on streets.

Alderman Clarke being the only member of the committee on public grounds and buildings present requested the appointment of a member of the Board to act on said committee for this evening to assist him in auditing claims—whereupon Alderman Decker was appointed for the purpose.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of James McLaughlin, $63 63, and $55 25; Thomas Royle, $21 03; P. H. Nugent, $13 87; W. J. Stevens, $11 47; Jersey City Insurance Co., $7 50; R. B. Kashow, $2 50; and Japhet Jardine, $2 35. Referred to the commitee on fire and water.

Of Commissioners of Appeals, $42; R. B. Kashow, $19 69, and $4; Smith Mead, $3 75; R B. Kashow, $2 99, and $2 57; and P. H Nugent, 75 cents. Referred to the committee on salaries, offices and elections.

Of Fidelity Division, $75; Jersey City Insurance Co., $45; James McLaughlin, $15 60; and McLaughlin, $7 61; P. H. Nugent, $5 06; and W. B. Dunning, $2 94. Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Thomas Gafney, $10; W. B. Dunning, $1 50; and A. P. Rikeman, 75 cents. Referred to the committee on finance.

Of W. B. Dunning, $3 90, and $3. Referred to the committee on streets.

Of John J. Hill, $146. Referred to the special committee on Washington Square Improvement.

Of J. F. Richardson, $26 15. Rereferred to the committee on lamps.

Of P. H. Nugent, $8 14. Referred to the committee on police.

Of Japhet Jardine, $3 35. Referred to the committee on alms.

Of Thomas Royle, $2 01.

Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Police Department, $1314 71; John Wilson, $1308 56; Randall & Morrill, 1114 50; R B. Earle & Co., $250; Thos. Royle. $172; Ward & McGown, $148 72; Jacob Erwin, $92 68; Drayton & Durant, $91 37; John J. Hill, $72 60; J. F. Richardson, $48 40; Hugh Reilly, $26 66; Nathaniel Ellis, $22 29; W. J. Hough. $20 14 and $18 19; Hugh Billingsley, $17 50; Mrs. Ann Eaton, $17; Jersey City Insurance Co., $13 80; James McLaughlin, $12 16; John Marsey, $8; and Mary Eagan. $4

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of D. S. Gregory, $210; Daily Telegraph, $81 07; D. S. Gregory, $75; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $63 07; Daily Telegraph, $56 86; James Keys, $50; A. B Reynolds $42 24; Stephen Quaile, $41 40; R. B. Kashow, $37 50 and $37 50; Samuel Cassedy, $31 25; Jasper Wandle, $31 25 and $31 25; W. B. Dunning, $30 60; J. B Stone, $30; E. Pray, $27 06; David Bedford, $15; Daily Telegraph, $14 38 and $8 07; H. McComb, $—; Thomas Howe, $7 50; E. Pray, $7 39; Jersey City Gas Light Co., $1 88; and W. B. Dunning 60 cents and 36 cents.

A claim of W. B Dunning amounting to $25 20, presented and referred to Committee on Finance November 16, 1858, was reported correct by said Committee for $25 50, and that amount ordered paid.

A claim of Daily Telegraph amounting to $55 64, presented and referred to Committee on Finance October 19, 1858, was reported correct by said Committee for $55 74, and that amount ordered paid.

A report by the Board of Commissioners for Assessments in relation to their system of assessing for intersections, in answer to the communication of Andrew Clerk on that subject, was presented, received, and laid upon the table.

A communication from the Corporation Attorney enclosing a summons at the suit of Egbert L. Viele, was received, and with the writ referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

The City Clerk presented his report of publication of notice of confirmation of assessment for regulating Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek, and the same was received and ordered filed.

A repot by the City Physician, for the Third and Fourth wards, was presented, received, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows:

To the Honorable the Board of Common Council of Jersey City.

Gentlemen,—The City Physician of the Third and Fourth Wards, would most respectfully present the following report:

The whole number of persons who have received the medical services of the incumbent, from the 12th of May, 1858, to the 12th of November, 1858, a period of six months, have been one hundred and thirty-eight, 138: Men, 11; women, 33; boys, 53; girls, 41.

Five hundred and sixty-one visits have been made, six cases of confinement attended and fifteen persons have been vaccinated during that period.

The nature of the diseases which have come under my notice, has been chiefly of a mild character; notwithstanding that the circumstances by which patients of this class, are in general surrounded, favor the development of malignancy in the maladies to which they are subject.

The following is a classification of the cases treated:

	Cases.		Cases.
Cholera Infantum	11	Scarlet Fever	21
Diarrhœa	17	Measles	11
Dysentery	10	Smallpox	2
Inflammation of bowels	5	Erysipelas	2
Peritonitis	1	Rheumatism	3
Marasmus (Infantile)	3	Remittent Fever	3
Consumption	2	Intermittent Fever	2
Bronchitis	4	Typhoid Fever	2
Inflammation of Lungs	3	Dropsy	5
Do. Brain	1	Syphilis (secondary)	2
Do. Kidneys	1	Intemperance (effects of)	3
Do. Eyes	4	Caries of Knee Joint	1
Debility	11	Necrosis of Humerus	1
Abscess	3	Necrosis of Jibia	1
Albuminuria	1	Fracture of Clavicle	1
Apoplexy	1		

The result of treatment has been as follows:

One hundred and twenty-five have recovered; six died; and seven still remain under treatment.

The causes of death were—

Apoplexy	1	Scarlet Fever	1
Consumption	1	Inflammation of Kidneys	1
Marasmus	1	Smallpox	1

Respectfully submitted.

J. M. SENDERLING.

Jersey City, Nov. 13th, 1858.

The Committee on Alms to whom were referred September 21st, 1858, the three proposals to furnish groceries at the Alms House, presented a report setting forth that the contract has been awarded by the said Committee to Ward & McGown and been executed and filed. The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Assessments presented a report in relation to the assessment for the regulation of Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek, including intersections, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That two per cent. be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the Assessment for regulating Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek, including intersections, and that said Assessment be confirmed.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas

and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, and Voorhies.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hankins and Wickware

The Committee on Assessments to whom were referred October 12, 1858, to be assessed, the claims of I. B. & D. E. Culver, James F. Fielder and H. L. Smith, for work and materials furnished in the improvement of Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek, presented a report setting forth that said claims have been assessed by the Board of Commissioners for Assessments, and recommending the adoption of the following resolutions :

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of I B & D. E. Culver, for sixty dollars, being the amount of their bill for surveys and calculations on the improvement of Grove street between Pavonia avenue and Mill Creek, including intersections, and that his honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the City thereto.

Resolved, That improvement certificates be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of James F. Fielder, for one thousand one hundred and eighty-seven dollars and twenty-eight cents, being the balance due on his bill as per contract for the improvement of Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek including intersections, and that his honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the City thereto.

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Commit tee on Finance, in favor of H. L. Smith for one hundred and ten dollars, being the amount of his bill for superintending the improvement of Grove street from Pavonia avenue to Mill Creek including intersections, and that his honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the City thereto.

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of I. B. & D. E. Culver for fifteen dollars, being the amount of their bill for making for the Collector of Assessments a copy of the assessment of the improvemen of Grove street between Pavonia avenue and Mill Creek including intersections, and that his honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the City thereto.

The report was received.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W, R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, and Voorhies.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hankins and Wickware.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred November 16, 1858, the petition of Henry Forbes for a license to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the Corporate Seal of the city, to Henry Forbes, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred November 16, 1858, the petition of Charles Arelle for a license to peddle meat, fish and vegetables presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the Corporate Seal of the city to Charles Arelle, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on lamps to whom was referred November 23, 1858, the petition of John Pringle for the erection of two gas lamps in Bright street between Grove and Barrow streets, presented a report recommending that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

Alderman Van Vorst, from the committee on finance, presented a printed list of property advertised to be sold July 7th, 1858, for taxes of 1857, assessed to the Morris Canal Company, and the Jersey Associates, but the sale of which was suspended by said committee in consequence of a doubt having been raised as to the legality of the assessment, and presented a protest of John D. Ward, which was served upon the City Clerk prior to the date of sale.

The list and protest were referred to the Corporation Attorney and committee on finance, with instructions to report whether the property described is liable to taxation and sale.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a report accompanied by specifications conformable to the plan of a Station House and Bell Tower, and nine sealed proposals received for the contract to build the same, received in answer to an advertisement published by them ; the following resolution accompanied the report :

Resolved, That the specifications presented by the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be filed in the City Clerk's office, and that the nine sealed proposals reported by the Committee on Public Grounds and Bulldings for the contract to furnish the materials and to erect a Station House and Bell Tower, be received, opened and read.

The report was received and the resolution adopted

The proposals were opened, read and found to be from the following named parties :

William H. Bumstead, Hunt & Armstrong, Keeney & Halladay, John J. Hill, William H. Bumstead, Dobson & Lewis, James McLaughlin, H. McComb and William Powell.

The proposals were laid upon the table.

The Joint Committee on Ferries and Wharves and Streets, who have under consideration the petition referred to them November 23, 1858, of Robert Donshea and others, to have Wayne street, east of Greene street filled up to established grade, paved, curbed, guttered, &c., presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That Friday, December 31, 1858, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, is hereby appointed as the time and place, when and where, the Joint Committee on Ferries and Wharves and Streets of this Common Council, will meet for the purpose of hearing, on its merits all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, November 23, 1858, by Robert Donshea and others, to have Wayne street, east of Greene street filled to the established grade, paved, curbed and guttered, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the two Jersey City papers, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The following resolutions were presented by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted :

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in each of the Jersey City papers, daily until the first day of March, a list of unredeemed property sold more than two years ago to the City Treasurer for taxes or assessments, and also a notice that owners of said unredeemed lands will have, until March 1st, 1859, the privilege of redeeming the same in the same way that lands are redeemed from sale prior to the expiration of the two years allowed under the city charter for such redemption, on payment of the principal, together with the usual rate of interest (15 per cent per annum) and all costs and charges, and subsequent taxes, assessments or water rents which may have been paid by the City Treasurer on behalf of the city.

Resolved, That for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of the above resolution the City Clerk is hereby authorized to issue, on application being made to him, the customary certificates for redemption, the Comptroller to countersign the same, and the Treasurer to receive and receipt for the payments thereon.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to employ at an expense not to exceed the sum of thirty dollars a suitable person to assist him in examination of various assessment accounts standing unclosed upon the old Ledger.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Erwin and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on alms be authorized to purchase winter clothing to the amount of eighty dollars for the use of the Alms House Department.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Tilden and rejected :

Resolved, That warrants be drawn in favor of Charles M. Hankins and Thomas E. Tilder for two dollars each, in payment for their services as canvassers of the returns of the special election held in the Fourth ward on the 31st August 185-, for an Alderman to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of William Roosevelt.

Alderman W. R Brown offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That a warrant for two hundred and fifty dollars be drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of the Treasurer of Liberty Fire Engine Co. No. 1, to be appropriated towards furnishing said House.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Erwin, McBride and W. R. Brown :

Yeas—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Erwin, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hankins and Wickware.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman W. R. Brown and adopted :

Resolved, That the license fee to the city for omnibuses and hacks, until further ordered, be and the same is hereby fixed at six dollars, including the one dollar named in the ordinance relating to omnibuses and stages as the fee for drawing the license.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman W. R. Brown and laid upon the table :

"An ordinance to repeal a portion of an ordinance, entitled an ordinance relating to omnibus and stage drivers."

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Voorhies and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Jerome B. Ward, for eight hundred dollars for work done on Washington Square.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies the communication presented October 19th, 1858, of the Commissioners of the Fire Department, announcing the suspension from duty of Engine Company No. 4, and the report of the special committee to whom was referred October 26th, 1858, the communication from said company complaining of the action of the Fire Commissioners, were taken from the table for consideration.

The following preamble and resolutions in relation thereto were presented by Alderman Voorhies and adopted :

Whereas, in the opinion of this Common Council the Fire Commissioners did wrong and superceded their authority under the act of the legislature of New Jersey relative to the Fire Department of Jersey City in locking up Engine House No. 4. the said Fire Commissioners having no power under the said act, nor under any of the ordinances of this city, to do such an act without first obtaining the approval of the Common Council. And

Whereas, it is represented to this Common Council that Engine Co. No. 4, or certain members of that Company, have from time to time, behaved themselves in a disorderly manner, and that the said Commissioners have been unable to ascertain who the real delinquents are in order to suspend such individual firemen as were most deserving of a reprimand. Therefore be it

Resolved, That this Common Council do approve the action of the said Commissioners in suspending said Company and in keeping their Engine House locked up until the expiration of the time during which the said Company were suspended.

Resolved, that nothing in the above preamble and resolution shall be so construed as to admit the right of the said Commissioners, in any case, to lock up the House of any Hose or Engine Company, or to carry into execution any such determination without first obtaining the approval of the Common Council.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Earle and rejected.

Resolved, That the Committee on Sewers be instructed to report at next meeting upon an application made by B. B. Grinnell and others for a culvert corner York and Greene streets.

Alderman Tilden offered the following resolution, and the same was laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Voorhies :

Resolved. That the Chief Engineer of the Fire department be and he is hereby instructed to place Washington Engine Company No. 4 on duty without delay.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Ald. Tilden, and laid upon the table, viz. :

An ordinance to repeal an ordinance, entitled "An ordinance for the better regulation of the Fire Department of Jersey City. Approved January 30th, 1858."

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday December 21st, 1 58, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Thurston and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Hankins and Wickware.

The minutes of the regular meeting of December 7th, 1858, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Fourth Section of the Hudson County Artillery Company to have a place provided in which to store their Cannon. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Petition of John Berry, Executor of the Estate of Leonard Allen respecting the assessment on lots in block 73 for regulation of Morgan street and for which the same have been sold, etc. Referred to committee on finance.

Communication from Noah D. Taylor asking that a bond for $2000 be issued to him for loan to the city for building Engine House, No. 1, etc. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of John W. Denver and others complaining of obstructions in Wayne street between Greene and Washington streets, and asking for the removal of the same.

On motion of Alderman Tilden it was

Resolved, That the petition be referred to the committee on streets with power to have the obstructions complained of removed

A communication from Charles J. Farley was presented, read and ordered to be returned to him, on motion of Alderman Tilden.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows: viz:

Of I. B. & D. E. Culver, $73 25 and $40 87; David Scott, $30; James S. Hutton, $30 and B R. Wakeman, $30. Referred to the Committee on Assessments.

Of James McLaughlin, $55, $36 75, $, and $3 25, and Latimer, Bro's & Seymour, $7 50. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Michael Griffin, $10 75; Smith Mead. $5 25 and Thos Kinney, $3 75. Referred to the Special Committee on Washington Square Improvement.

Of Garret Cooper. $6, and W. W. Lee' $5 50. Referred to the Committee on Police.

A claim of J. F. Richardson amounting to $26 15 presented and referred to Comittee on Lamps, December 7, 1858, was returned by said Committee and the same was referred to the Committee on Police.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate Committees afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of John B. Haight, $500; Nathaniel Ellis, $125; H A. Miller, $71 09; A. B. Reynolds, $53 57; Michael McGuire, $28; S. A. French. $16 19; John Garvey, $14 and Edward Cogan, $5,

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of James McLaughlin, $63 63. $55 25; J. B. Haight, $ 1. 80; John J. Wanner, $28; Thomas Royle, $21 03; P. H, Nugent, $13 87; W. J Stevens, $11 47; Thomas Howe, $10, $10 and $9 59; Jersey City Insurance Co. $7 50; W. B. Dunning, $3 90; Japhet Jardine, $3 35; W B. Dunning, $3; R. B. Kashow, $2 50; Japhet Jardine, $2 35; W. D. Stivers, $2 12; Thos. Royle, $2 01; W. B. Dunning, $1 50 and A. P. Rikeman, 75 cents.

A claim of Thomas Gafney amounting to $40 for coach hire on the occasion of the funeral of Ex-Alderman Hill presented and referred to the Committee on Finance, Dec. 7, 1858, was returned by said Committee and on motion of Alderman W. R. Brown the same was ordered paid.

A communication from His Honor the Mayor setting forth that in compliance with resolution of Board of Water Commissioners authorizing bonds to be issued for sewerage purposes he has signed bonds Nos. 801 to 825 for one thousand dollars each redeemable after 1st January, 1883, &c., was presented, received and ordered filed.

Communications were presented and received from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following election, resignations and expulsions in said department,

Election of George Ibbs by Hose Co. No. 4.

Resignations of Henry Jahne and William Startup from Engine Co. No. 5.

Expulsions of John Worster from Hose Co. No. 2; and Joseph W. Redding from Hook and Ladder Co No. 1.

On motion of Alderman McLaughlin the action of the commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application to have Warren street side-walk paved with a four foot flag between Morris and Essex streets on the west side of Warren and also 50 feet on Essex street west of Warren and the same was received and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the Board of Water Commissioners accompanied by a statement of the Comptroller showing a balance due said Board of $2022, on account of collections made for them by the city and on motion of Ald. Tilden it was

Resolved, That a warrant for two thousand and twenty-two dollars be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Board of Water Commissioners for amount collected by the city for arrears of water rents for public buildings, hydrants, sewers, &c, and standing to the credit of the board of Water Commissioners as appears by the Comptroller's statement.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred November 23, 1858 the petition of Richard Cornelison asking that he might be exempt from Taxes for gas for street lamps, he receiving no benefit therefrom, presented a report setting forth "that the Jersey City Gas Light Co., are willing to put down their mains in said street whenever the owners of property shall fill in the street along the Canal sufficiently to protect the mains when down."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances to whom was referred Dec. 7, 1858 the communication from the City Attorney enclosing summons in case at the suit of Egbert L. Viele vs. Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Attorney be instructed to defend the suit of Egbert L. Viele against the Mayor and Common Council, and that the Committee on Laws in conjunction with the City Attorney be authorized to employ counsel upon the part of the city at an expense of not over fifty dollars.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on assessments to whom was referred Dec' 7, 1858, the petition of D S. Manners and others to have the assessment for filling Steuben street between Prospect and Washington streets referred to arbitrators on the same conditions as the Morgan street arbitration presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That the prayer of D. S. Manners and others contained in their petition presented to this Common Council December 7, 1858, to have the matter of the assessment or filling Steuben street between Washington and Prospect streets submitted to arbitration be granted on the same terms as those on which the same course was pursued respecting the Morgan street assessment as nearly as may be possible; and that the committee on laws and ordinances and the corporation Attorney are hereby fully empowered and instructed to carry into effect on behalf of the city the provisions of such arbitration.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets to whom was referred October 19, 1858, the petition of Samuel Bridgart and others for the laying of a side walk in Warren street on the west side between Morris and Essex streets and in Essex street for fifty feet west of Warren presented a report setting forth that at the time and place named for a hearing in the matter, the committee met and parties appeared to advocate the making of the improvement, but no one appeared to object and submitting the following entitled ordinance:

"An ordinance to provide for the flagging of the side walk on the west side of Warren street between Morris and Essex streets and of part of the side walk on the northerly side of Essex street lying west of Warren street."

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The committee on Sewers to whom was referred September 21st, 1858, the petition of B. B Grinnell for construction of culverts or receiving basins on the north and south west corners of York and Greene streets, presented a report recommending that the petition be referred to the Board of Water Commissioners, with a request that they furnish the

estimate of the cost per lot, and a description of the limits which will be embraced in the property to be assessed, &c.

The report was received and recommendation adopted.

The committee on Public Health presented a report submitting a contract for the removal of dead animals, etc. from the city limits for the space of one year, executed by Charles De Klyn and Gustavus Liebig, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the contract which has been executed by Charles De Klyn and Gustavus Liebig for the removal from within the limits of Jersey City, for the space of one year, of all dead animals, etc., be approved and be executed on the part of the Corporation of Jersey City by his honor the Mayor and the City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Erwin and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Alms expend sixty dollars for boots and shoes for use of Alms Department.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of Watters Burrough for one hundred dollars for six months salary as City Physician, due the first of November, 1858, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be requested to sign the same.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Van Vorst.

Resolved, That the Committeee on Finance be and hereby authorized to borrow for the purpose of paying off improvement bonds heretofore issued and becoming due, in anticipation of the collection of the asssessment for improvement of Steuben street, from Washington street to Prospect st, the sum of five thousand five hundred dollars ($5,500,) and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized on the requisition of the Committee on Finance, to issue under the corporate seal of the city an improvement bond or bonds for the same.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Hankins and Wickware,

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Van Vorst:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be and hereby authorized to borrow for the purpose of paying off improvement bonds heretofore issued, and becoming due in anticipation of the collection of the assessment for the improvement of Grand street, between Jersey st. and the Mill Creek, the sum of thirty-eight hundred dollars ($3,800), and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized, on the requisition of the Committee on Finance to issue under the corporate seal of the city an improvement bond or bonds for the same

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Hankins and Wickware.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the Mayor of the city be authorized to tender to the members of the State Teachers Association the use of the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday evening, 26th inst., for the purposes of their Association.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on police be requested to instruct the Policemen to attend to the speed of Locomotive Steam Engines running through this city on the New Jersey Railroad, and if the speed be greater than allowed by ordinances of the city to report the same to the Recorder, and that they report the name of the Engineer running the same.

On motion of Alderman Earle the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, January 4th, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

In the absence of the President at the hour of meeting the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Aldermen W. R Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

President Thurston was absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hankins and McLaughlin.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, Alderman Wickware was appointed President pro tempore.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The President appeared and took his seat.

Petitions communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Petition of Walter R. Moore to be relieved from taxation. Referred to the committee on finance.

Petition of George McLaughlin and others for the removal of obstructions and encumbrances from Grove street where the same is intersected by Railroad avenue, etc. Referred to committee on streets with power.

Petition of Charles Fink for the privilege of redeeming his two lots on Bright street, according to the terms of the reassessment for that improvement. Referred to committee on assessments.

Petition of Timothy Connolly for the erection of a Public Market. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Of William Roosevelt, $100 ; Stephen Quaife, $35; Passaic Ice Co., $19 77, $17 01, and $3 12. Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of John Wiseman $82 50 ; Hugh Keenan, $18 20 ; I. B. & D E. Culver, $15, and W. B. Dunning, $3 45. Referred to the committee on streets.

Of Thomas Howe, $10, $8 19, and $2 ; and Robert Griglietti, $1. Referred to the committee on fire and water.

Of J. F. Richardson, $42 50 ; Mrs. Ann Eaton, $18 and Hugh Billingsley, $17 50. Referred to the committee on lamps.

Of Smith Mead, $123 13, and I. B. & D. E. Culver, $35. Referred to the special committee on Washington Square Improvement.

Of J. F Richardson, $27 50, and Passaic Ice Co., $18 24. Referred to the committee on police.

Of Stephen Quaife, $42 50. Referred to committee on finance.

Alderman Decker being the only member of the committee on police present, Alderman Earle was appointed a member of that committee for the evening to assist in auditing claims.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Police Department, $1323 96 ; Jacob Erwin, $162 96 ; George W. Todd, $131 72 ; Ward & McGown, $127 30 ; Drayton & Durant, $114 25 ; Brinkerhoff & Son, $102 ; Hugh Reilly, $35 96 ; Nathaniel Ellis, $35 03 ; Charles N. Betts, $17 74, and Japhet Jardine, 93 cents.

A claim of S A. French amounting to $94 90, was presented, received and referred to committee on alms, afterwards reported correct by said committee for $94, and that amount ordered paid

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz. :

Of Fidelity Division, $75 ; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $73 25; James McLaughlin, $50; Jersey City Insurance Company, $45 ; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $40 87 ; B. R. Wakeman, $30 ; David Scott, $30 ; James S. Hutton, $30 ; J. F. Richardson, $26 15; R. B. Kashow, $19 69 ; James McLaughlin $15 60 ; Michael Griffin, $10 75 ; P. H. Nugent, $8 14; James McLaughlin, $7 61 ; Garret Cooper, $6 ; William W. Lee, $5 50 ; Smith Mead, $5 25 ; P. H. Nugent, $5 06 ; R. B. Kashow, $4; Thomas Kinney, $3 75; Smith Mead, $3 75; A. B. Reynolds, $3 60; R. B. Kashow, $2 99; Wm. B. Dunning $2 94; R. B. Kashow, $2 57 ; and P. H. Nugent, 75 cents.

A communication was presented from the board of water commissioners, to whom was referred December 21st, 1858, the application of B. B. Grinnell to have receiving basins and culverts constructed on the northwest and southwest corner of York and Greene streets, returning the said application and enclosing an estimate and description of the limits to be embraced by the assessment for the proposed improvement and the cost. &c.

The communication and accompanying papers were referred to the committee on sewers.

A certificate of I. B. & D E. Culver, city surveyors, certifying that Enos Cole is entitled to $800 on his contract for labor and materials furnished in the improvement of Morgan street from Grove to Prospect streets, with the approval of the committee on streets endorsed thereon, was presented, received and referred to the committee on assessments.

The following requisition from the board of education was presented and received :

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City :

At a meeting of the board of education held October 12, 1858

It was Resolved, That requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the claim of Sheldon Blakeman & Co., for books and stationery furnished to the public schools to August 1st. 1858, amounting to $334 52.

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, Jan. 4th, 1859.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant for three hundred and thirty-four dollars and fifty two cents be drawn in favor of Sheldon, Blakeman & Co., in accordance with requisition from board of education

The City Treasurer's report for December. 1858, showing a balance in the Treasury, December 31, 1858, of $17,264 71 was presented, received and ordered filed.

The official statement of the result of an election in the Fire Department of a Commissioner of the Jersey City Fire Department, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Dudley S Gregory, Jr., declaring James K. Morgan, elected to fill the said vacancy, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a rule for certiorari and a writ of certiorari served upon him, December 27, 1858, at the suit of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, directing the Common Council to certify the proceedings touching a supplement passed August 28, 1856, to an ordinance passed June 19, 1856, declaring nuisances. The papers were referred to the Corporation Attorney.

A report and map of assessment of property of Abijah Mann, Jr, Charles Fink and John Corrigan, made by the new Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court of New Jersey, to examine into and report anew as to part of the aseessment for the improvement of Bright street from Grove to Barrow street, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A report and map of re-assessment of property of Charles J. Smith, made by the new Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court of New Jersey, to examine into and report anew as to part of the assessment for the improvement of Warren street from Montgomery to Morgan street, was presented received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented the Collector's return of unpaid taxes and a list of delinquents, and the required affidavit in relation thereto.

The affidavit was received and ordered filed in the City Clerk's office—and the following resolution was presented by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted :

Resolved, That the collector's list of names of delinquent tax payers, with the sums due from them respectively thereto annexed, be received and placed by the City Clerk in the hands of Wm. C Morris, Esq., Justice of the Peace, for the purpose of issuing a tax warrant thereon as provided by law, and that said Justice of the Peace is hereby instructed to make out such tax warrant, without delay, and place the same in the hands of George E. Cutter, collector of arrears of taxes.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application to have Wayne street, east of Greene street, filled to the established grade, paved, curbed, and guttered

The report was received, and ordered filed in the City Clerk's office.

The committee on Finance reported the following resolution :

Resolved, That the city clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper and also in the Daily Courier and Advertiser for the length of time required by the city charter, lists of property sold March 23d, 1857, for taxes of 1856, and March 25th, 1857, for unpaid assessments and still unredeemed.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on Finance to whom was referred June 1st, 1858, the communication from the Board of Water Commissioners stating that lot No. 114, Washington street was erroneously returned by the Board of Water Commissioners amongst the unpaid water rents of 1856, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made by this corporation on the 28th, July, 1857, for water rents of 1856, of lot 57 Washington street (or lot 114 as known by the street number) in block 20, to the City Treasurer, be cancelled of record for the reason that said water rents were paid at the office of the Board of Water commissioners, and were by them erroneously returned amongst the arrearages.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee Finance to whom was referred November 16, 1858, the communication from the Board of Water Commissioners, requesting the the cancelling of sale of lot 6, South 6th street, in block 223, made Nov 8th, 1856, for water rents presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made to John Patten, junior, on the 8th, November, 1856, of lot six South 6th street, in block two hundred and twenty-three, for water rents due prior to December 20, 1855, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that said water rents were paid at the Water Commissioners office and erroneously returned for sale; and that a warrant for the purchase money ($19 56-100) and the interest thereon from the date of sale at the rate of seven per cent. per annum be drawn in favor of the purchnser above named, and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk the declaration of sale issued for said lot.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on Finance to whom was referred October 26, 1858, the communication from the Board of Water Commissioners requesting the cancelling of sale of lot 5 Grove street in block 149, sold November 8, 1856, for water rents, and requesting an adjustment of the water rents on lot 4 in block 149, sold at same sale, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the sale of lot 5, Grove street in block 149 made November 8th, 1856, to John Patten, junior, for water rents due prior to December 20, 1855, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk, for the reason that the same was erroneously included by the Board of Water Commissioners in the list of arrearages; and that warrant for the purchase money ($3 16-100) and the interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, from the date of sale, be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the said John Patten, junior, and be delivered to him on his surrender to the City Clerk of the declaration of sale of said lot.

Resolved, That so much of the communication from the Board of Water Commissioners hereto annexed as refers to the sale of lot 4, Grove street, in block 149, on the 8th November, 1856, for water rents due prior to December 20th, 1855, be referred back to said Board, with a request to reexamine the matter, as there appears to be a discrepancy between their communication and the return alluded to.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred at his meeting of the Common Council the certificate of the turveyors on the improvement of Morgan street from Grove o Prospect street, which certificate has endorsed on it the approval of the committee on Streets, presented a report setting forth that according to the terms of the contract for said work entered into between Enos Cole and the corporation of Jersey City, he, the said contractor, is entitled to receive improvement certificates for the amount named in the surveyors certificate, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That improvement certificates be issued under the direction of the committee on Finance, in favor of Enos Cole for eight hundred dollars, being on account of his claim as per contract for the improvement of Morgan street from Grove to Prospect street, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The report was received

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J, M, Brown, Hankins, and McLaughlin.

The committeee on sewers who have under consideration and to whom was referred at this meeting the petition of B. B. Grinnel for the construction of culverts or receiving basins on the north and south west corners of York and Greene streets and the communication from the Board of Water Commissioners furnishing the description of the lots proposed to be assessed for the cost of said improvement and an estimate of the cost, etc., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That Monday, January 17, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M. be appointed as the time when the committee on sewers will meet at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street to hear on its merits all persons interested in the application of B. B. Grinnell presented September 21st, 1858, to have culverts and receiving basins constructed on the north west and south west corners of York and Greene sts., and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Jersey City papers for the length of time required by the charter and ordinance of the city notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing before the committee on sewers of this Common Council.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on assessments presented a report accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to give notice through the two Jersey City papers that the report and map of reassessment of property of Abijah Mann, Jr., Charles Fink and John Corrigan made by the new Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court of New Jersey to examine into and report anew as to the part of the assessment for the improvement of Bright street from Grove to Barrow street, which assessment as to the lots of Abijah Mann, Jr., Charles Fink and John Corrigan was heretofore set aside by the said court, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council chamber on the third Tuesday in January 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M to consider said assessment and to receive and consider all objections to such assessment which may be presented in writing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on assessmeuts presented a report accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to give notice through the two Jersey City papers that the report and map of reassessment of property of Charles J. Smith made by the new Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court of New Jersey to examine into and report anew as to the part of the assessment for the improvement of Warren street from Montgomery to Morgan streets which assessment as to the lots of Charles J. Smith was heretofore set aside by the said Court is on file in the City Clerks office, No. 23 Montgomery street; and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council chamber on the third Tuesday in January 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M. to consider said assessment and to receive and consider all objections to such assessment which may be presented in writing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance presented an opinion of the Corporation Attorney relative to taxes on block J, Jersey Associates Map, given in pursuance of the order of Common Council made Dec. 7, 1858, referring the matter to that officer and to the Committee on Finance.

The following resolution in relation to the subject was presented by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted:

Resolved, That the opinion of the Corporation Attorney be received and that the Committee on Finance be instructed to re-advertise the sale of blocks J, K, L, and M, for unpaid taxes of the year 1857.

The committee on salaries, offices and elections, to whom was referred November 2d, 1858, the claim of Walter Burrows, amounting to $100, returned the same, it having been

ordered paid by resolution of December 21st, 1858. The claim was ordered filed.

The joint committee on ferries and wharves and streets, presented a report and the following resolution, in relation to the application presented and referred to them November 23d, 1858, of Robert Donshea and others, to have Wayne st. east of Greene street filled to grade, paved, &c.

Resolved, That the prayer of the application of Robert Donshea and others, for the improvement of Wayne street east of Greene street, be not granted, in consequence, of the inability of this Board to make a legal assessment, for the paving of that portion of Wayne street, without the consent of a majority of the owners of the lots being first had and obtained. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted :

Resolved, That warrants be drawn in the usual form for the sums of thirty dollars each, payable to the order of David Scott, Benjamin R. Wakeman, and James S. Hutton, respectively, for services in the re-assessment of Bright street between Barrow and Grove, and Wayne street from Montgomery to Morgan street, when the said parties shall have presented their report and map, and the same shall have been accepted by the Common Council.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman W. R. Brown and rejected :

Resolved, That this Board of Common Council request the Honorable Member of Assembly from this District, to have the act of the Legislature respecting Turnpike Companies, so amended that the citizens of Jersey City may have full control of that portion of Newark avenue between Coles street and Mill Creek.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh :

Resolved, That a committee of one from each ward be appointed by the chair to report to the Common Council what progress has been made with reference to the erection of a Station House and a School House in 3rd ward.

The resolution was adopted, and Aldermen Voorhies McBride, Hankins, and Tilden were appointed such committee.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on sewers be requested to notify the Jersey City Associates that the sewer in York st. below Hudson street requires prompt repairing and request them to take action in the premises.

On motion of Alderman Wickware the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday January 11th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, p m

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Hankins.

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 4th, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Petition of Henry C. Flender, to have cancelled the sale of his lot, part of No 6 Jersey avenue, in block 199, made August 4 1856, for taxes of 1855, the same having been paid to the collector for that year. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of R. Mulligan to have an adjustment made of the claim against his lot 10 Bright street, for the assessment in 1852, for the improvement of said street. Referred to Committee on Assessments.

Petition of H. M. Soule and others to have South Second street from Newark avenue to the easterly side of Provost street paved, &c. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Communication from Passaic Hose company No 4, inviting the Common Council to visit the house of said company. The invitation was accepted, and on motion of Alderman Erwin Monday evening next was appointed as the time for such visit.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Terrence Beirne, $363 25 Referred to the Special Committee on Washington Square Improvement.

Of William W. Lee, $7 50, and Thomas Boyle, $2 87 Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings

Of H A Miller, $34 68 Referred to the Committe on Police.

Of Isaac Wakefield, $27 20. Referred to the Committee on Alms.

Of David Tashera $3. Referred to the Special Committee on Charter Amendments.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

I. V Hardenbergh, $250; David Bedford, $175; Daily Telegraph, $150; R. D. McClelland, $150; John D. Nolan, $150; Peter D. Vroom, $125; William C. Morris, $108 32; George W Cassedy, $75; H A Miller $57 18; A B Reynolds $53 01; Daily Telegraph, $35 11; George W Cassedy, $500; Enos Cole, $27 87; F P Budden, $25; Charles Van Brunt, $25; Michael McGuire, $24; Patrick Tarney, $15; Passaic Ice Co., $5 70; W. B. Dunning, $5 21; William Coleman, $4 13; Burst & Co., $3 05; William B. Dunning, $3; William W Lee. $2 50; and William B Dunning, $1 90.

A claim of Jerome B. Ward, amounting to $1465 83, was presented, received, referred to the Special Committee on Washington Square Improvement, afterwards reported correct by said committee for $1446 83, and that amount ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of William Roosevelt, $100; James McLaughlin, $55; Stephen Quaife, $42 50, James McLaughlin, $36 75; J. F. Richardson, $32 50; J F Richardson, $27 50; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $25; Passaic Ice Co., $19 77, and $18 24; Hugh Keenan, $18 20; Mrs. Ann Eaton, $18; Hugh Billingsley, $17 50, I. B. & D E. Culver, $15· Thomas Howe, $10; Thomas Howe $3 19; James McLaughlin, $3; Latimer Bro's & Seymour, $7 50: W B Dunning, $3 45; James McLaughlin, $3 25; Passaic Ice co., $3 12; Thomas Howe, $2 and R. Grigliette, $1.

A claim of John . Hill amounting to $146, presented and referred to the Special committee on Washington Square Improvement, December 7, 1858, was reported correct by said committee for $142 80, and that amount ordered paid.

A claim of Passaic Ice co. amounting to $17 01, presented and referred to the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings January 4, 1859, was reported correct by said committee for $11 76, and that that amount ordered paid

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 15th instant, and the same was read, received and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Jersey City, January 12, 1859.

To the Hon. the Common Council of Jersey City:

I do not concur with you in the justness of the resolution adopted by you on the 4th inst. and therefore withold my signature thereto. The resolution is in the following words:

"Resolved, That the opinion of the Corporation Attorney be received, and that the Committee on Finance be instructed to re-advertise the sale of blocks J. K. L. and M. for unpaid taxes of the year 1857."

My objections are these:

These blocks are marked on a plan or map made by the Associates of the Jersey Company, which plan or map was made to show their property, reclaimed, by filling in East of Hudson street and South of Montgomery street, and offered for sale on the 24th June 1857. The right to lay out and map property is only in the owners of the property. It is not even in the Corporation of Jersey City. The Associates had then a right to make a plan or map to show the property they were offering for sale. They had no right to make a map of the property of any other person which will carry with it any authority.

Prior to that time no authorised map existed showing the Eastern limit of property in the 1st and 2d wards than that known as Mangin's map by which map the Associates conveyed all their property heretofore sold, excepting the plan for the Cunard wharf improvement. The Mangin map extended to, and included Hudson street.

The Associates were the owners of all the property represented by Mangin's map. When they sold blocks 10, 11, 12, and 13, bounded on the East by Hudson street, which were then, and some of them are now, as well as the street, covered by navigable water, they conveyed all their right to reclaim land from the water to the purchasers of said blocks. Blocks J. K. L. and M. are represented in this unauthorized mapping, thereof by the Associates, to lie East of Hudson street, and in front of blocks 10, 11, 12 and 13. With the exception of a pier in front of block 11. They are all covered by water, and are a part of the navigable water of the Hudson river.

The State does not tax water, or land under water, or authorize it to be taxed, exeepting as to its relative value connected with the land out of water.

It cannot be detached, seperated and assessed for taxes in distinct lots and parcels from the shore as the above water blocks have been. The shore rep esented by blocks 10, 11, 12, and 13 was taxed for 1857, the tax paid thereon, and no re-assessment is proper or legal therefor.

That the Assessors of 1857 made a mistake in assessing in detached parcels this imaginary property, was made manifest to the Assessors of 1858, after due investigation They avoided committing a similar error by not putting the made on their books. Whatever relative value existed was taxed to blocks 10, 11, 12 and 13, by the Assessors of 1858.

What the learned Counsel of the Corporation means in his opinon where he says, "it was adjudged that the designation of seperate blocks and lots, some of which are above, and some below high water mark, with a distinct value attached to each is a good assessment, *provided the aggregate value* is not *greater* than the value of the property *above high water mark*," is not very clear, unless to sustain my views.

If the full value of a person's property on a shore is put in the tax list, there is the end of the matter.

Even if the shore owner has a right of property, *when he reclaims it*, to the middle of the Hudson river, that does not authorize an Assessor to make a map, or use one, of such imaginary submerged property over which vessels sail, not subject to toll or wharfage, and divide it into blocks and lots and make a seperate assessment of taxes thereon.

The law of the State defines what property is to be taxed: (See Nixon's Digest, pages 801, 2 and 3.)

So far as Real Estate is concerned, it is defined to be "*all lands*, [not all water,] all water power thereon, or appurtenances thereto, and all buildings and erections thereon—all mines, quarries and all fisheries." How any person can assume that navigable waters are to be taxed under this definition, I cannot conceive. Suppose an Assessor should map out on paper or anybody else, two, three or more blocks in front of the Jersey City Ferry and put them down with lots

25x100 feet in his tax roll, would not your Hon. body direct the cancellment of such a tax, without a moment's delay, as being an error of judgment ?

Almost, if not all the suits instituted by the Common Council for some years past, have resulted adversely to the city, entailing a large tax to meet law charges and counsel fees, and I do not doubt that the same fate will attend this effort if undertaken. When the land owners bear their due share of the burden of taxes of the city, it is wrong to annoy them, by causing at the public charge unnecessary litigation and expenses attending it in defending their rights ; and as the assessment alluded to is clearly an error, I think the resolution should be rejected, and the tax cancelled.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

Alderman Van Vorst moved " that the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor."

On motion of Alderman J. M Brown the motion of Alderman Van Vorst was ordered to be laid on the table until the next meeting.

A communication was presented from the Board of Trustees of the Jersey City Fire Department Fund nominating the following named persons as Fire Wardens, viz :

John H. Broas and William Coleman for the 1st ward.

Jacob Z. Marinus and John Perrine for the 2d ward.

William Bumstead and Joseph Roberts for the 3d ward.

Joshua A. French and Elison E. Duncan for the 4th ward.

The communication was received and the nominations were approved and confirmed by the unanimous vote of the Board.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing returns of the following elections and resignations in said Department confirmed by the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department :

Elections of George Oliver and Sabine Jose Zacarias by Engine Co. No. 1.

Resignations of John Perrine and W. D. Garretson from Engine Company No, 1, and Joel C. Potter from Hook and Ladder Co. No 1.

The communications were received and on motion of Alderman McLaughlin the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

A communication was presented from the Corporation Attorney enclosing a Writ of Certiorari and Supersedeas in the matter of the Ordinance passed June 19, 1856. declaring nuisances, served on the Mayor and by him sent to the Corporation Attorney. The Supersedeas was ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's Office, and the following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted.

Resolved, That the Certiorari in the case of the State, the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company Prosecutors vs. the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, be referred to the City Clerk with instructions to have a return thereto prepared, and that when such return be perfected His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and that the same be attested under the Corporate Seal of the City.

A communication was presented from John D Nolan, Street Commissioner, representing to Common Council that the side walk on north side of Newark Avenue, from Warren street to Prospect street is below grade, &c., and asking that proceedings may be taken to have said walk refilled to the established grade.

The communication was received and referred to the committee on streets.

The following communication was presented from the Board of Education.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City :

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at the City Clerk's Office, on Tuesday evening, January 18, 1859.

It was resolved that requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims :

In favor of H. M. Soule, Esq., Chairman of the Committee on Finance of the Board of Education, for Teachers' Saluries, for the quarter ending January 31st inst....	$2432 69
John Van Vorst, rent of colored school room for quarter ending Jan. 31, inst.....	18 75
David Easton, repairs.....	54 24
W. C. Whyte, do.	11 06
P. H. Nugent, do.	4 75
Sheldon, Blakeman & Co., bill books to Jan. 1..	173 42

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

The following resolution in relation thereto, was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to draw warrants in accordance with the requisitions of the Board of Education presented at this meeting of the Common Council.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of confirmation of report and map of Supreme Court Commissioners of re-assessment of property of Charles J. Smith for the improvement of Warren street, from Montgomery to Morgan streets and the same was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of confirmation of report abd map of supreme court commissioners of re-assessment of property of Abijah Mann, jr., Charles Fink and John Corrigan for the improvement of Bright street, from Grove to Barrow street, and the same was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application to the legislature for sundry amendments to the charter of Jersey City, and the same was received and ordered filed

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of appointment of time and place for a hearing of all parties interested in the application of B. B. Grinnell for the construction of culverts and receiving basins on the north west and south west corners of York and Greene streets, and same was received and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the Corporation Attorney returning the certiorari &c., referred to him on the 4th inst., in the matter of the ordinance concerning nuisances at the suit of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation company and recommeding that the same be filed in the City Clerk's office. The communication was received and with the certiorari ordered filed.

The committee on charter amendments presented a report submitting amendments. The report was received.

Alderman Tilden moved that the amendments establishing a City Court be laid on the table

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Voorhies, Hardenbergh and Erwin.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M Brown, W. R Brown, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen Christie, Clarke, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, Voorhies, and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Hankins.

Alderman Voorhies moved—

" That the report be printed in the minutes, and that the City Clerk be requested to forward a copy to the members from this county of the Senate and House of Assembly, with a request that they urge the passage by the Legislature of the amerdatory acts."

The motion was rejected by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Voorhies, and Tilden :

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen Christie, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—Aldermen J. M Brown, W R Brown, Earle, McBride McLaughlin, Tilden, and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Hankins.

On motion of Aldeaman Hardenbergh the consideration of all the amendments excepting those relating to the collection of taxes and assessments was indefinitely postponed.

Alderman Voorhies moved—

" That all action had this evening relative to the amendments to the City Charter be rescinded."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Tilden, Hardenbergh and McLaughlin :

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nay—Aldermen W. R. Brown.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Hankins.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the report of the committee on charter amendments with the amendments reported by them at this meeting of the Common Council be printed in the minutes.

Said report and amendments being as follows :

The committee on charter amendments would respectfully

report the following bills amendatory to the charter.

J. V. THURSTON, Chairman Com.

A further supplement to an act, entitled "An act to incorporate Jersey City," approved March 18th 1851.

Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey, That from and after the passage of this act, it shall be lawful for a City Judge, to be appointed as hereinafter provided, to hold a Court within the Corporate limits of Jersey City, to be called the "City Court of Jersey City," which shall be a Court of Record, and its jurisdiction shall extend to the following actions:

1. To all actions cognizable in the Circuit Court and the Court of Common Pleas of the county of Hudson, where the cause of action shall have arisen, or the subject of the action, shall be situated, within the corporate limits of Jersey City.

2. To all other actions, where a defendant or the defendants, shall reside, or may be personally or legally served with summons, or other original process within said city.

3. To actions against Corporations created under the laws of this State, and transacting their general business within said city, or established by law therein. And to all cases of appeals from judgments, obtained in the courts for the trial of small causes, within the corporate limits of Jersey City.

4. That the said city court shall possess the authority and power in relation to such appeals and actions in the said court, and process and proceedings therein, as are possessed by the supreme and circuit courts, and the court of common pleas in this State, relative to any such process and proceedings in the said respective courts And all laws relating to the docketing of judgments obtained in the circuit court, and in the court for the trial of small causes, or regulating the jurisdiction or practice of the circuit court, or the court of common pleas of the county of Hudson, shall, as far as practicable, apply to and be made binding upon the said city court, it being the intention of this act, to constitute the said city court of Jersey City, so far as is practicable, with such powers and jurisdictions within the corporate limits of Jersey City, as are by law possessed and exercised by the circuit court, and the court of common pleas of the county of Hudson within said county and that all orders, decisions and proceedings of the said city court of Jersey City, shall be made subject to the same reviewal as those of the said circuit court and court of common pleas.

And be it enacted, That the said city court, shall exercise such criminal and quasi criminal jurisdiction, as are now exercised under the statutes of this State, by two justices of the peace. And that for such purpose, such court shall sit, on the third Tuesday of every month, or as soon thereafter, in such month as convenient to said court. And that in the exercise of such jurisdiction, all the judgments and proceedings of the said city court, shall be subject to review by certiorari, before the Supreme Court, and that no appeal or review from such judgment or proceedings shall be allowed, except in manner aforesaid.

And be it enacted, That the said city court shall be held quartly, that is to say: one session the of shall be held once during every three months of the year, to commence on the first Monday in March, June, September and December; and the said court may be continued for at least four weeks.

And be it enacted, That the Mayor of said city and an Alderman, or any two Aldermen, shall sit in the said Court as members thereof, such Aldermen who shall be constituted members of the said Court, to be designated by the Common Council of Jersey City, and the said Mayor and Alderman, while actually sitting as members of the said Court, shall each be entitled to receive for their services, in that capacity, the sum of three dollars per day, to be paid by warrant out of the City Treasury.

And be it enacted, That the said City Judge shall be appointed by the Governor and Senate, in the same manner that justices of the Supreme Court. He shall hold his office for the term of three years, or till another is appointed, and no person shall be appointed as aforesaid, unless he shall have attained the age of thirty years.

And be it enacted, That there shall be a Clerk of the said Court, who shall be appointed by the Common Council of Jersey City, annually, with such compensation as the said Common Council may, by ordinance determine, who shall perform the same duties, so far as practicable, in the said City Court, as the clerks of the several counties of this State are by law obliged to perform in the County Courts. He shall receive the same fees for services performed, as are provided for similiar services by the County Clerk, and shall pay such fees into the Treasury of Jersey City; and he shall at the expense of the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, provide such necessary books as may be required for the discharge of his duties as such clerk.

And be it enacted, That the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, shall by resolution or otherwise, devise a seal, which shall be the seal of said court, at the expense of the said Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, and a description thereof attested by the said clerk, shall be deposited with the Secretary of this State.

And be it enacted, That the said city court, and the office of the clerk thereof, shall be held at such place or places, as the said common council may by resolution designate for that purpose; and the said resolution shall remain in force, until rescinded by the common council; and the said mayor and common council of Jersey City, by ordinance may, or shall furnish all apartments and accommodations necessary for the said court; and the said city judge shall receive an annual salary of one thousand dollars, payable quarterly by the said mayor and common council of Jersey City, by warrant for that purpose, according to the act incorporating Jersey City.

And be it enacted, That the ministerial officer of the said court, shall be the sheriff of the county of Hudson, and the said sheriff shall be empowered to appoint a special deputy, who shall be a resident of Jersey City, to transact the business arising in said court, during his absence, or when from interest or otherwise, the said sheriff shall be disabled under the laws of this State to serve process; and that the constables, elected or appointed within the limits of Jersey City, shall, so far as is practicable, perform the same duties, as to and in the said city court, as are now performed by the constables of this county in the circuit court, and the court of common pleas, and that the said officers shall be entitled to receive the same fees as they are now by law entitled to receive in the said courts, and the said officers to be appointed or elected as aforesaid by this act, shall be subject to the same pains and penalties, as are by law prescribed in relation to like officers of the circuit court, or the courts of common pleas in the respective counties of this State.

And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the said sheriff of the county of Hudson, or of said deputy, in case of his death or disability, at least twenty days before the commencement of any term of the said city court, together with the clerk of the said city court, select thirty jurors, and so far as is practicable in the same manner, as the said sheriff is required to select jurors for the county courts, under the laws of this State, to serve as jurors, at the then next ensuing term of the said city court; which said jurors, shall have the same qualifications, and be entitled to the same fees as jurors serving in the county courts of this State; which said fees, shall be paid out of the City Treasury, in manner aforesaid.

And be it enacted, That special or struck juries, and juries of view may be summoned and empannelled in the said city court, to perform such duties and services therein as juries of like character perform in the county courts. And that all suits at law actions or proceedings in the said "city courts of Jersey City," shall, so far as practicable, be conducted in the same manner as the same are conducted in the said county courts, by the laws and rulos of the courts of this State in relation to such county courts, it being the intention of this act to constitute the said "city court of Jersey City," with the same power, authority and jurisdiction, as to such actions and proceedings cognizable thereon, as are now possessed and exercised by the said county courts, within the jurisdiction of the said last mentioned courts.

And be it enacted, That in order to enable the said city court and judges to carry this act thoroughly into effect, and to enable them, from time so time to make rules and regulations, and frame writs and proceedings for that purpose, it shall be lawful for the said court to make such rules and regulations for expediting and conducting suits, and the management of business therein, for the proper carrying into effect the objects of this act, and for the purpose of obviating any difficulties that may arise in practice, in the said city court, by reason of any ommission or defect in the same, as the said court shall, from time to time judge proper.

Provided, That said rules and regulations, shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this act, or of the constitution or laws of this State.

A further supplement to an "Act to incorporate Jersey City."

Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey,

That when application shall be made to the Common Council for the opening, altering, extending or widening any street of Jersey City, the Common Council shall appoint a time when persons interested therein may be heard before them or the appropriate committee on the merits of such application and shall give notice of such application and the time of hearing in one or more of the city papers for ten days before such time of hearing; and if the Common Council shall determine to open, alter, or widen, or extend said street or streets or any part thereof they shall after determining and defining the precise improvement to be made shall by resolution appoint three of the citizens Surveyors, being disinterested freeholders in said city to examine the condition and value of any building or buildings erection or erections to be taken for such improvement, who shall estimate and report the value of such erections and shall further report to whom the said erections belong and the interest and estate of the said several owners in the same as far as practicable, and shall file their report with the City Clerk in thirty days after notice of their appointment by the City Clerk and forthwith after the filing of said report the Common Council may proceed to open, alter or widen or extend said street or streets or any part thereof without further proceedings thereon by passing a resolution notifying the owner or owners, person or persons entitled to the same to remove the erection or erections on the said street or part of a street within thirty days after legal service of such notice, which resolution shall be advertised under the direction of the Common Council by the City Clerk in one or more of the city papers for the space of ten days which shall be held as legal service of said notice, and that in case such erection or erections shall not be removed by the owners or persons entitled to the same within the space of thirty days after service of such notice as aforesaid the Common Council shall proceed to sell the erections and parts of erections on the lands taken for said street or part of a street so sought to be opened, widened or extended at public auction by advertising such sale in one or more of the city papers for the space of fifteen days before such day of sale and in case of default by the purchaser in complying with the terms of sale in removing such erections and parts of erections within the space of ten days after such sale that the same may be removed under the direction of the committee on streets of the said Common council.

And after such improvement shall be perfected the Common Council shall appoint by ordinance in the manner directed by the charter three judicious disinterested Freeholders, residents of said City Commissioners who shall estimate the whole cost of said improvement according to the best of their judgement and shall cause a survey and map to be made of such improvement and of the lots and parcels of land benefitted thereby distinguishing each lot or parcel of land by numbers on said map and shall assess such estimated costs upon said lands to be benefitted thereby in proportion to the benefit received by each lot or parcel in said map estimating the benefit done to the residue of any lot or parcel, of which part taken for such improvement in the same manner as to other lands; and they shall also estimate and report the value of lands taken for such improvements and the erections thereon and the damages aforesaid done by taking the same and shall report as to the erections as the citizen Surveyor's reported, and also to whom said lands taken belong, and the interest and estate of the several owners in the same as far as practicable, and for the purpose of such investigation into the value of such erections the said Commissioners are hereby empowered to examine under oath the said citizen Surveyors, which oath shall be administered before any Master in Chancery of this State in presence of the Commissioners and said Commissioners shall file said report and map with the City Clerk in sixty days after their said appointment, and the City Clerk shall thereupon give notice of the filing of any such report and map within ten days after the same shall be filed with him in one or more of the city papers and continue the same for two weeks.

2. And be it enacted, That the amount reported by said Commissioners as the value of the lands to be taken and the damages by taking the same shall be the sum to be paid by said Common Council to the respective owner or owners of said lands with interest thereon at seven per cent per annum from the actual manual commencement of the improvements and the expenses of said improvements when completed, including all interest and the cost of the proceedings shall be assessed upon the property reported by said Commissioners as benefitted thereby and in the proportion reported by them.

3. And be it enacted that all Commissioners of assessment appointed by or under this act shall, before they proceed to the duties of their appointment, subscribe and take an oath before the Mayor or City Clerk faithfully, honestly, and impartially to perform the duties required of them and shall receive such compensation for their services, as the Common Council shall by ordinance ordain.

4. And be it enacted. That there shall be appointed by the Common Council in the same manner in which other officers of the city are appointed a Collector of revenues for said city. whose duty it shall be to perform the duties of the present officers of said city known as collector of taxes, collector of arrears of taxes and collector of assessments and such other duties as the Common council may by ordinance prescribing his duties ordain, and it shall further be his duty to keep a record of all proceedings affecting the revenue of the city, and all copies of such proceedings certified by him under the corporate seal of the city shall be evidence in all courts and places.

5th. And be it enacted That the said collector of revenues shall pay all moneys received by him as revenue for the city to the Treasurer of said city who shall in turn pay over to the Treasurer of this State or the collector of Hudson county upon demand the full quota of taxes required by law to be raised in said city for State and county purposes.

6th. And be it enacted that the said collector of revenue shall before entering on the duties of his office give bonds to the city in its corporate name in such sums and with such security as the common council may approve for the faithful performance of his duties, and shall also before entering upon the duties of his said office, take and subscribe an oath of office in the manner and to the effect as in and by the charter of said city required before the persons in said charter mentioned and in default thereof within the time limited by said charter for that purpose his said office shall thereby become vacant as by said charter prescribed

7th And be it enacted, That the provisions contained in the 32d section of the act incorporating Jersey city, and which said proviso reads as follows, to wit: Provided that for paving any street or portion of a street lying without the limits of the improved part of the said city or upon which there are no buildings erected, the consent of a majority of the owners of the lots to be assessed therefor shall be first had and obtained," be and the same is hereby repealed.

8th. And be it enacted, That such acts and parts of acts to which this act is supplementary as provides for the election of one collector of taxes and one collector of arrears of taxes and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or in any way contravening the true intent and meaning of this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

9th. And be it enacted, That this act shall be deemed a public act and shall take effect immediately.

The Committee on Assessments presented a report in relation to the reassessment of property of Abijah Mann, Jr., Charles Fink and John Corrigan for the improvement of Bright street from Grove to Barrow streets, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That three per cent. be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the re-assessment of property of Abijah Mann, Jr., Charles Fink and John Corrigan, made by the new Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court of New Jersey, to examine into and report anew as to the part of the assessment affecting their property, for the improvement of Bright street from Grove street to Barrow street; and that said re-assessment be confirmed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen J. M Brown. W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh. McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Hankins.

The Committee on Assessments presented a report in relation to the re-assessment of property of Charles J. Smith,

for the improvement of Warren street from Montgomery to Morgan street, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That three per cent. be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the re-assessment of property of Charles J. Smith, made by the new Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court of New Jersey, to examine into and report anew as to the part of the assessment affecting his property for the improvement of Warren street from Montgomery to Morgan street, including intersections, and that said re-assessments be confirmed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Hankins.

The Committee on Sewers presented a report accompanied by a preamble and resolution, recommending the construction of culverts and receiving basins on the northwest and southwest corners of York and Greene streets, as prayed for by B. B. Grinnell, in his petition presented to the Common Council, September 21st, 1858.

The report was recommitted with instructions to examine and ascertain whether the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners is not erroneous in some respects.

The Committee on Sewers presented a report adverse to the construction of sewers under the application presented by William L. Broking and others, July 6th, 1858, for building sewers in Newark avenue and South Ninth street; of George McLaughlin and others, presented September 14th, 1858, for a sewer in Newark avenue and Montgomery street, and of John S. Mark and others, for a sewer in Railroad avenue, and recommending "that the charter committee be requested to prepare as speedily as possible, an act for the construction of sewers in Jersey City, said act to set forth accurately and definitely all the proceedings incident to the said subject." The report was received and adopted.

Alderman Tilden presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That all ordinances now on the table presented previous to the present municipal year, and not acted on, be taken from the table and referred to the committee on laws and ordinances, with instructions to examine the same and report them back to this common council, with a recommendation as to what disposition shall be made of said ordidinances respectively.

Alderman Van Vorst presented the following resolution with a certificate af the correctness of the statement attached, signed by the comptroller:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of John B. Haight, collector of taxes, for the sum of one hundred and fifty-two dollars, ($152) it being the amount of money collected by him on account of military tax, and deposited in the city treasury with monies collected on account of city tax.

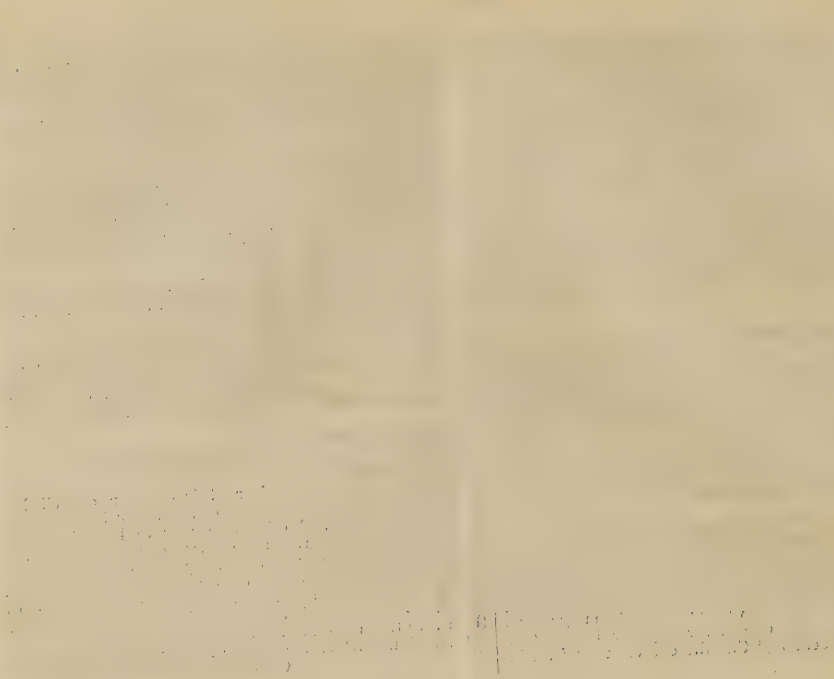
The resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Wickware and adopted:

Resolved, That inasmuch as this common council has neglected to act upon the vetoes of the resolutions granting to John Kennedy and others, licenses to keep inns and taverns, and as the parties are desirous of having no further action taken in the matter in consequence of the length of time which has elapsed since the presentation of their applications, that the city clerk be authorized and requested to refund to John Kennedy and others the amount deposited by them with that officer, as the required license fees.

On motion of Alderman Erwin the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.



COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, February 1st, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Thurston and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen Voorhies and Wickware.

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 18, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of Henry French and Thomas Kelly to have the south side of Railroad avenue between Warren street and Prospect street flagged, etc. Referred to committee on streets.

Communication from E. B. Wakeman, Esq., Attorney for E. L. Viele proposing a reference to arbitration of all matters in controversy between said Viele and the city. Referred to committee on laws and ordinances.

Communication from W. C. Morris, Esq., Secretary of the Building Association asking for an abatement of the interest on the amount of taxes of 1854, for which two lots in block 54, formerly belonging to Henry Kellen, were sold to the City Treasurer July 27th, 1855. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of William Murtagh for the abatement of a nuisance opposite his house in Wayne street. Referred to the committee on public health.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Charles Lenzmann, $605 ; Jersey City Gas Light Co., $44 95 ; James C. Smith, $31 93 ; P. H. Nugent, $21 50 ; Frederick Anness, $12 16 ; Thomas Howe, $9 61 ; Japhet Jardine, $5 94 ; Thomas Howe, $5 20 ; and Japhet Jardine, $4 60. Referred to the committee on fire and water.

Of Anness & Stephenson, $21 21 ; Seth Billington, $20 ; Isaac Wakefield. $16 29 ; S. A. French, $13 95 ; and Adams McGraw & Co., $3 42. Referred to the committee on alms.

Of A. Ingerson, $73 54 ; and $44 03 ; Anness & Stephenson, $3 36 ; and Jersey City Gas Co , $6 84. Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Jersey City Gas Light Co., $1614 ; J. F. Richardson, $35 50 ; Mrs. Ann Eaton, $18 ; Hugh Billingsley, $17 50. Referred to the committee on lamps.

Of H. A. Miller, $36 44 ; J. F. Richardson, $22 25 , and William W. Lee, $6 37. Referred to the committee on police.

Of Keeney & Halladay, $263 16 ; and Alexander Love, $6 75. Referred to the committee on streets.

Alderman Erwin being the only member of the committee on salaries, offices and elections present requested that a member of the Board be associated with him on that committee for the evening to assist in auditing claims, whereupon Alderman Hardenbergh was appointed.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Police Department, $1317 66 ; Jacob Erwin, $198 47 ; William Whitley, $150 ; Drayton & Durant, $149 60 Samuel A. French, $87 50 ; Fidelity Division, $75 ; Rich'd D. McClelland, $72 39 ; Ward & McGown, $64 45 ; Smith Mead, $51 50 ; P. M. Senderling, $50 ; Nathaniel Ellis, $33 79 ; Jasper Wandle, $31 25 ; and $31 25 ; Hugh Reilly, $29 33 ; Thomas Royle, $22 ; David Bedford, $13 ; Hugh McFadden, $10 75 ; W. B. Dunning, $2 86 ; and $2 75.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Smith Mead, $128 13 ; Jersey City Gas Light Co., $50 90 ; Stephen Quaife, $35 ; H. A. Miller, $34 68 ; Isaac Wakefield, $27 20 ; W. W. Lee, $7 50 ; and Thomas Royle $2 87.

The City Treasurer's report for January last showing a balance in the treasury on the 1st February instant of $14,748 26, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

A special report from the Comptroller, in relation to unclosed assessment accounts, was presented, received, and referred to committee on finance.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, with the approval of the Commissioners of the Fire Department endorsed, enclosing returns of the election of George W. McLaughlin by Engine company No. 1, and the transfer of William B. Dunning from Engine company No. 1 to Engine company No. 5.

The communications were received, and the action of the commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The Marshal's report of the names of Aldermen absent from meetings of the Common Council, and late, during the quarter ending January 31st, 1859, was presented, received, and referred to Alderman W. R. Brown with instructions to collect the fines due.

The report of the Superintendent of the Alms House for the quarter ending February 1st, 1859, was presented, received, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows :

To the Mayor and Common Council :

GENTLEMEN :—The Superintendent of the Almshouse respectfully presents to your honorable body his quarterly report, ending February 1st, 1859 :

The number of persons admitted were 126, of which number there were

Male adults	26
Female adults	33
Children	65
Born in the institution	2
	126

The following will show the discharges and deaths:

Male adults discharged	6
Female "	9
Children discharged	10
Children out on trial	3
Discharged	28
Male adults died	1
Children died	2
Died	3

Remaining in the institution February 1st, 1859, 95.

The expenses of Department within the above period was $754 24, on the following account :

Groceries and Provisions	$340 19
Horse and Cow feed	77 57
Straw for beds	4 38
Hardware and Tin	35 14
Plumbing	4 18
Lumber	8 31
Interments	11 50
Horseshoeing	4 75
Wood	6 75
Clothing	102 00
Shoes	86 00
Soap	12 50
Horse Blanket	3 38
Repairing Cart	5 38
Fluid for Lamps	8 50
Dry Goods	41 70
	$754 24

I am gratified to be able to say that the inmates of the institution have enjoyed good health, considering their situation when admitted, and with the advise and direction of our worthy and faithful Committee on Alms, and sufficient supply of all that was necessary, I have been able to supply all their actual wants.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM WHITLEY, Superintendent.

Jersey City, Feb. 1st, 1859.

The report of the Overseer of the Poor for the quarter ending February 1st, 1859, was presented, received, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows :

To the Mayor and Common Council :

GENTLEMEN :—The Overseer of the Poor respectfully presents to your honorable body his quarterly report, ending January 31st, 1859, from which itwill appear that 563 adults and 426 children, have been relieved with groceries, provisions, &c., showing a diminution in the applications by two thirds less than the past year, arising from business being more steady, also the surplus laborers removing to different parts where they have found employment, it appears fro

the present aspect of things, that business will be in a more flourishing condition than it has been for some time past. I therefore feel in hopes that the present number of recipients of public charity will diminish to a great extent.

The expenses of the Department has been $884 22, on the following account:

Groceries and Provisions	$775 72
Children to nurse	13 00
Transportation of Paupers	26 50
Shoes	12 00
Interments	57 00
Total cost	$884 22

In the distribution of the charities of the city, I have acted with the view to the best interest of all concerned, in an economical distribution of the public money. in releiving the pressing necessity of the distressed, and in this course I hope I have the approbation of the Mayor and Common Council and the community in general.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WHITLEY,
Overseer of the Poor.

Jersey City, Feb. 1st, 1859.

The committee on assessments to whom was referred Jan. 4th, 1859, the petition of Charles Fink for the privilege of redeeming his two lots, 186 and 187, Bright street, according to the terms of the reassessment on said street presented a report recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That on the payment into the City Treasury of the sum of thirty five dollars and twenty five cents by the owner of lots 186 and 187, Bright street, assessed to George Hibbard, and sold July 1st, 1853, by the Corporation of Jersey City for the assessment for earth filling on Bright street, between Grove and Barrow streets, that said payment be considered in full for said assessment on the aforesaid lots; and that on the filing of the Treasurer's certificate of redemption with the City Clerk he be authorized and directed to cancel of record the said sale of the lots herein described; this settlement being made upon the basis of the reassessment by the Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court in the case of the parties to the certiorari in the matter of the Bright street assessment. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on sewers to whom was referred May 11th, 1858, the remonstrances filed in the City Clerk's office, May 6, 1858, against the construction of a sewer in South First street and streets adjacent, presented a report thereon setting forth that on examination they find that more than one half of the owners of the lands to be assessed for said improvement have signed said remonstrances and recommending that the Common Council proceed no further with the proposed improvement under the present application. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was recommitted November 16, 1858, their report and resolution recommending the construction of a sewer in South Seventh street te extend from tide water east of Prospect street to the intersection of Newark avenue with the laterals, &c., presented a report recommending that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted under the application made July 20, 1858, but that the building of said sewer be deferred until after the sewerage acts shall have been revised, when it will be advisable to commence anew the proceedings under an entirely new application. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Fiuance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the Corporation paper and also in the Daily Courier and Advertiser, for the length of time required by the City Charter, a list of property sold April 23, 1857, for taxes of 1856, and still unredeemed.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Commmittee on Streets to whom was referred January 18, 1859, the communication from John D. Nolan, Street Commissioner, respecting the side walk on the north side of Newark avenue from Warren to Prospect street, presented a report thereon accompanied by a profile of said side walk, prepared by I. B. & D. E. Culver, City Surveyors, and the following resolution:

Resolved, That the owner or owners of the lots on the north side of Newark avenue from Warren to Prospect street are hereby required to fill or refill to the established grade the side walk in front of their lots, and in case they shall neglect or refuse to do so for ten days after the approval by the Mayor of this resolution, that then and in that case the Committee on Streets and Street Commissioner be and are hereby authorized and instructed to advertise for proposals for a contract to do said work and report the same to this Common Counell.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and says having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clark, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst.

Alderman Hankins was excused from voting.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Voorhies and Wickware.

The Committee on Streets who have under consideration the petition referred to them January 18, 1859, of H. M. Soule and others, to have South Second street from Newark avenue to the east side of Provost street, paved, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Friday, February 25, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., is hereby appointed as the time when the Committee on Streets of this Common Council, will meet at the City Clerk's Office, No 23 Montgomery street, to hear on its merits, and on the merits of the proposed improvement, parties interested in the application of H. M. Soule and others, to have South Second street, from Newark avenue to the easterly side of Provost street, including intersections, paved, curbed, guttered and bridge stone cross-walks laid, and both sides of the street flagged four feet wide, where the same has not been done, and to repave, relay the flagging, curbing, guttering and bridges where the same requires to be done, and to fill in to the full width of the street and to the established grade, and to fully regulate said street, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the newspapers of Jersey City, for the length of time required by the City Charter, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing before the Committee on Streets.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets to whom was referred December 21, 1858, with power to remove the obstructions the petition of J. W. Denver and others for the removal of obstructions from Wayne street between Greene and Washington streets, presented a report setting forth that said obstructions complained of have been removed The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on sewers to whom was recommitted Jan. 18, 1859, their report on the application referred to them September 21, 1858, of B. B. Grinnell for the construction of culverts and receiving basins on the north west and south west corners of York and Greene streets presented a report accompanied by the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, Application was made September 21, 1858, to the Common Council of Jersey City, at its meeting of that date for the construction of culverts and receiving basins at the north west and south west corners of York and Greene streets and a time for a hearing on its merits of all parties interested in said application having been appointed by the Common Council to be had before the committee on sewers of said Common Council (that being the appropriate committee) due notice of which meeting for the purpose of affording all persons interested in said application an opportunity of being heard on the merits of the same having been published in both of the Jersey City daily papers daily for over ten days prior to said time of hearing, and no party or parties having objected to said proposed improvement. Therefore

Resolved, That a culvert and receiving basin be constructed on the north west corners of Greene and York streets, and also that a culvert and receiving basin be constructed on the south west corner of York and Greene streets conformable to the estimate and description furnished to this Common Council January 4, 1859, by the Board of Water Commissioners and that the City Clerk be directed to give to said Board notice of this determination of the Common Council. The report was received.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown,

W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst.

Nays—None.

Absent – Aldermen Voorhies and Wickware.

Alderman W. R. Brown presented the following preamble and resolutions, which were adopted:

Whereas, A bill is now pending before the Legislature of this State, authorizing the Central Railroad Company to extend their Road to a point at or near Jersey City.

Whereas, The passage of such a law, would, if carried into effect, greatly advance the interests and prosperity of Jersey City; and as it behooves the people of Jersey City to watch their interests connected with this contemplated improvement, therefore

Resolved, That the Representatives of Hudson County in the Legislature will carry out the wishes of the people of Jersey City, by advocating and using any honorable means to secure the passage of the said bill.

Resolved, That a certified copy of the above preamble and resolutions, with the seal of the city attached, be forwarded by the City Clerk to the Senator and Representatives of the County of Hudson in the State Legislature.

Alderman Tilden offered a preamble and resolutions, which on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh were amended so as to read as follows:

Whereas, Efforts are being made by certain parties to deprive Jersey City of the benefits derived from the occupancy of her wharves by the Cunard steamers, the ostensible object being the facilitation of the delivery of goods to the New York importers, by requiring that such goods shall be transferred forthwith, upon their arrival at this place, to warehouses in the city of New York, but the real and concealed purpose being the final removal of the line of Cunard steamers from Jersey City; and whereas, the present debarking arrangements of the Cunard steamers are perfectly satifactory to all parties really interested in the matter, by reason of the accessibility of the present landing place, the reasonable rate of cartage, the saving of time and perfect security from fire, for which reasons the present arrangements are far preferable to the removal of the berths of said line of steamers to *uptown* wharves in New York, where can only be found accommodations for them, and where they would be much more distant from the business portions of the City of New York than in their present location; and whereas the landing of said line of steamers at our wharves, gives employment to large numbers of our poor people who would be thrown out of employment by any change of the kind contemplated. Therefore be it

Resolved, That a memorial be prepared by the Corporation Attorney, signed by his Honor the Mayor and the City Clerk, under the Corporate seal of the City and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, earnestly remonstrating against any change in the matter of the landing of the Cunard steamers at our wharves, calculated to create dissatisfaction on the part of merchants or others interested in the landing of goods from said line of steamers, and urgently requesting that the application for the change referred to in the above preamble be not granted but positively refused.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions be transmitted by the City Clerk to the Hon. Jacob R. Wortendyke, Representative in Congress from this District, and copies to Senators Wright and Thomson, with a request that they take prompt measures to thwart the schemes of the parties engaged in the movement in reference to the Cunard steamers.

The preamble and resolutions as amended were passeed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Tilden, and Decker:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, and Van Vorst.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Voorhies and Wickware.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Resolved, That the number of Constables to be elected in the 3d Ward at the next Charter Election to be held in April 1859, shall be Two, and no more.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden, and adopted:

Resolved, That two Constables from the 1st, 2d, and 4th Wards, each be and is hereby designated as the number of Constables to be elected in said wards at the next Charter Election in Jersey City.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the resolution offered by him November 16th, 1858, and laid upon the table donating three hundred dollars to the Fire Department Fund, was taken up for consideration, and on motion of Alderman Van Vorst was amended by striking out three hundred dollars, and inserting one hundred dollars as the amount of the donation. The resolution as amended was then adopted, and as passed is as follows:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of the Jersey City Fire Department Fund for one hundred dollars, being their yearly donation to the fund.

On motion of Alderman W. R. Brown the ordinance presented December 21st, 1858. to provide for flagging the side walk on the west side of Warren street between Morris and Essex streets and part of the side walk on the northerly side of Essex street lying west of Warren street, was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the further consideration of the ordinance was ordered to be postponed until the next meeting of the Common Council.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the nine proposals presented and laid upon the table December 7, 1858, for the contract to erect a Station house and Bell tower, were taken up and referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst it was

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings are hereby instructed to correct the clerical error in the first proposal of Wm. H. Bumstead for the contract to build a Station house and Bell tower.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, February 15th, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R Brown Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, and Van Vorst.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Voorhies and Wickware.

The minutes of the regular meeting of February 1st, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Petition of John Patten, jr., to have purchase money refunded of lot 3 and part of 1 Sussex street, in block 4, bought by him at the Water Rents sale of November 8th, 1856, the said lots not having been correctly described in the advertisement of sale. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of John H. Broas, setting forth that his six lots in block 54, were twice assessed for taxes of 1857, and asking that the sale of them on the 7th June, 1858 for taxes of 1857 be cancelled, he having paid the tax under one assessment. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of John Post and others owners of property on the north side of Newark avenue, for an extension of the time allowed them for filling in sidewalk in front of their property, etc. Referred to committee on streets.

Remonstrance of James R. Thompson and others against the proposed paving of the sidewalk in Warren and Essex streets. Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of Richard Mycoth and others for the passage of an ordinance requiring the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company to drill their cars upon and across the public streets of the city with horse power in place of locomotive power. Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of E. B. Wakeman to have parts of South 6th, South 7th and Colgate streets filled to the depth of three feet. Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of Jacob Erwin and others asking that in the matter of the Steuben street arbitration the arbitrator to be appointed on the part of the city be some disinterested person who has not acted on the former assessment. Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company proposing a settlement of the assessment on their property in Warren street, made in 1853, for filling in of said street between Montgomery and Morgan streets, accompanied by certificates of James F Fielder, Alexander Wilson, and D. E. Culver, City Surveyor, and an abstract by the City Clerk of the proceedings relative to the sale of said property for said assessment.

Referred to committee on assessments which committee subsequently presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the proposition of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company to make a full settlement of the claim against their property in Warren street between Mercer and Wayne streets for earth filling put upon the same in 1853, and for which an assessment was made thereon and confirmed March 1st, 1853, which assessment so far as S. W. Smith's property embraced in the assessment for the filling of said street has been set aside and a reassessment made by new Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court of New Jersey and confirmed by the corporation of Jersey City be accepted inasmuch as litigation would thus be avoided and a fair and equitable settlement of the whole matter be made between the City and the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company; and that on payment into the City Treasury by the said Company of the sum of two hundred and seventy-five dollars and sixty seven cents, that being the sum named in the proposition, it shall be considered a full payment of the assessment made in 1853 upon the property of said company in Warren street between Mercer and Wayne streets for earth filling, and that upon the filing in the City Clerk's office of a certificate by the City Treasurer that said amount has been paid to him, the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cancel of record the sale made to the City Treasurer by the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City on the 11th August, 1854, of the "whole face of block" 34, in Warren street, assessed to N. J. R. R. and Transportation Company for the assessment thereon for filling Warren street between Montgomery and Morgan streets.

The report was received and the resolution laid on the table until next regular meeting.

Petition of Lewis Strober for permission to drive piles at the south end of Warren street for the purpose of aiding him in securing a harbor for his boats, etc. Referred to committee on ferries and wharves, and subsequently favorably reported on by said committee. The following resolution accompanying the report :

Resolved, That permission be granted to Lewis Strober to drive piles at the southerly end of Warren street provided such work be done under the supervision of the committee on streets, and to continue during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Of Enos Cole, $1,233 72; John Coar, $595; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $47; John Coar, $28 56; and John McGuigan, 88 cents. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Of M. Sharp, $60 25; Japhat Jardine, $6 33; John McGuigan, $4 56; A. M. Morehouse, $4 13; McAlister & Manning, $3 50; and Frederick T. Farrier, $2 80. Refersed to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of M. Sharp, $52 01 and $35 89; and A. M. Morehouse, 50 cents. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Of Joseph B. Stone, $30; Samuel Hetherington, $1 50; and McAlister & Manning, $1 25. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of McAlister & Manning, $29 55; and Thomas Kelly, 75 cents. Referred to the Special Committee on Washington Square Improvement.

Of Stephen Quaife, $20. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, and referred to their appropriate Committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz. :

Of Ward & McGown, $114 02; A. B. Reynolds, $63 14; W. J. Hough, $24 20; John Marsey, $12; P. D. Van Syckel & Co., $8 55; and Japhet Jardine, $6 89

A claim of C, N. Betts, amounting to $16 43, was presented, referred to the Committee on Alms, afterwards reported correct by said Committee for $16 53, and that amount ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz. :

Of Jersey City Gas Light Co., $1,614; Keeney & Halladay, $263 16; A. Ingwerson, $73 54, and $44 03; H. A. Miller, $36 44; J. F. Richardson, $35 50 and $22 25; Anness & Stephenson, $21 21; Seth Billington, $20; Mrs. Ann Eaton, $18; Hugh Billingsley, $17 50; Isaac Wakefield, $16 29; S. A French, $13 95; Anness & Stephenson, $8 36; Jersey City Gas Light Co., $6 84; Alexander Love, $6 75; Wm. W. Lee, $6 37 and Adams, McGraw & Co., $3 42.

A communication was presented from his Honor the Mayor, suggesting that measures be taken to obtain from the Legislature additional power to the city to enlarge its water supply and to provide for the extension of the city limits, &c.

The communication was received and laid upon the table, subsequently taken up, considered and the following preamble and resolution in relation thereto were offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted :

Whereas, It appears from the communication of the Mayor just made, that measures should be taken to obtain from the Legislature additional power to the city to enlarge its water supply, and to provide by a commission for the extension of the limits of the city, subject to the approval of this Board, so that when such limits are extended, the avenues, streets, drainage and water supply may be in harmony with such improvements within the present corporate limits, and also to acquire public grounds, by reservation or otherwise, for the future wants of the city so extended, therefore

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to draft and present the necessary supplemental law, to embrace these objects, and that the Mayor and A. O. Zabriskie, Esq., the counsel of the Water Commissioners, be requested to act with such Committee

Aldermen Tilden, Hardenbergh and Van Vorst were appointed a Committee, and on motion of Alderman Tilden the President was added to the Committee, but he declined serving.

The following communication from the Board of Water

Commissioners was presented, received and laid upon the table.

Office of the Water Commissioners, }
Jersey City, N J. Feb. 15 1859. }

To the Hon the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City.

Gents—At a meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners held 14th ult., the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a Committee of this Board be appointed to meet a Committee of the Common Council, for the purpose of conferring upon the subject of an application to the Legislature at its present session, for power to create a loan for the extension of the Jersey City Water Works.

Whereupon Commissioners Randall, Traphagen and the President were appointed such Committee.

The Board respectfully request the appointment of a like Committee of Conference on the part of the Common Council. Your obedient servant,

CHARLES FINK, President.

A communication from the Board of Water Commissioners, requesting that the proceeds of the recent sale for Water Rents be paid over to said Board, was presented, received, and laid upon the table.

The following requisition was presented from the Board of Education :

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City.

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at the City Clerk's office, on Monday evening February 7, 1859, it was

Resolved, That Requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims of Isaac Wakefield, $6 64; Vanderbeck & Morrell, $9 50; Robert Paton, $10; P. D. Van Syckle, repairs to roof No. 2, $81 10; Rea & Pollock, $1 25; F. Porrett, $4 50; Clerk of the Board of Education, for money paid to Charlotte Knowles, teacher of Colored School, salary omitted in report of teachers salary for last quarter, $40 50.

P. D. VROOM, Clerk

Jersey City, February 7, 1859.

The requisition was received, and the following resolution presented by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted.

Resolved, That warrants be drawn by the City Clerk in accordance with the requisition of the Board of Education presented to the Common Council, Feb. 15th, 1859

Communications were presented from tde Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, with the approval of the Commissioners of the Fire Department endorsed, enclosing returns of the resignation of Joseph A. Earle from Hose Co. No. 2, and the transfer of Japhet Jardine from Hose Co. No. 3 to Hose Co. No. 4.

The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed

A communication was presented from the Corporation Attorney, reporting that two suits between the Morris Canal and Banking Company and the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City have been decided against the city by the Chancellor, and recommending that an appeal in both cases be carried up to the Court of Errors and Appeals.

The communication was referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

The report of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending January 31st, 1859, was presented, received, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows:

To the Honorable the Common Council:

In accordance with the existing Police Ordinance, the Chief of Police respectfully submits the following report, exhibiting the number of persons apprehended each month, for felonies, misdemeanors and other offences, together with their age, color, place of birth, profession and degree of education, from the first day of November, 1858, to the first day of February, 1859, inclusive:

OFFENCES.	1858. Nov.	Dec.	1859. Jan.	Total.
Assault and Battery	3	10	6	19
Adultery			2	2
Burg ary	1		1	2
Disorderly Conduct	8	8	12	28
Exposure of Person	1			1
Fighting in the Streets	4	4	1	9
Grand Larceny		2	3	5
Insulting Females	1			1
Insanity		2	4	6
Intoxication	32	29	42	103
Intoxication and Disorderly Conduct,	33	38	22	93
Keeping Disorderly House		2		2
Petit Larceny	5	5	7	17
Passing Counterfeit Money		1		1
Receiving Stolen Goods		1		1
Suspicion of Theft	1	1	1	3
Threatning Life		1	1	2
Violation of Corporation Ordinances,	1			1
Vagrancy	1	4	5	10
Total	91	108	107	306

Age, color, place of birth, profession and degree of education, classified as follows:

AGE.	1858 Nov.	Dec.	1859. Jan.	Total.
Ten to Twenty	7	7	16	30
Twenty to Thirty	23	26	35	84
Thirty to Forty	30	53	37	120
Forty to Fifty	27	21	15	63
Over Fifty	4	1	4	9
Total	91	108	107	306
WHERE BORN.				
United States	21	18	26	65
Ireland	62	73	62	197
England	4	5	10	19
Scotland		3	1	4
Germany	3	9	8	20
France	1			1
Other Places				
Total	91	108	107	306
PROFESSION.				
Have Trades	32	31	31	94
No Trades	59	77	76	212
Total	91	108	107	306
DEGREE OF EDUCATION.				
Read and Write	52	46	50	148
Read		1		1
Write				
Neither	39	61	57	157
Total	91	108	107	306
COLOR.				
White	90	106	104	300
Black	1	2	3	6
Total	91	108	107	306

Report made by the Chief of Police, showing the number of persons arrested by the Department from the First day of November, 1858, to the First day of February, 1859, and by whom such arrests were made:

Chief— Intoxication and disorderly conduct, 3; grand larceny, 1; burglary one. Total. 5.

Aid Towle—Intoxication, 4; intoxication and disorderly conduct, 1; fighting in the streets, 1; disorderly conduct, 2; assault and battery, 1. Total, 9.

Aid Ayres—Intoxication, 5; intoxication and disorderly conduct 2, petit larceny 1, disorderly conduct 3, vagrancy 1, assault and battery 1, insanity 1. Total 14.

Officers--Bennett—Intoxication 10, intoxication and disorderly conduct 6, insulting females 1, passing counterfeit money 1. Total 18.

Baldwin—Disorderly conduct 1, intoxication 4, vagrancy 2. Total 7.

Chase—Assault and battery 1, intoxication 1, intoxication and disorderly conduct 3, insanity 1, receiving stolen goods 1. Total 7.

Callahan — Intoxication 4, intoxication and disorderly conduct 1, petit larceny 1. Total 6.

Carrol—Grand larceny 1, intoxication 6, intoxication and disorderly conduct 4, vagrancy 1. Total 12.

Chazotte—Intoxication 6, intoxication and disorderly conduct 3, assault and battery 1. Total 10.

Duffey—Assault and battery 1, fighting in the streets 1, grand larceny 1, intoxication 7, intoxication and disorderly conduct 2 Total 12.

Daley—Assault and battery 2, disorderly conduct 1, intoxication 1, intoxication and disorderly conduct 2, vagrancy 1. Total 7.

Davis—Adultery 2, disorderly conduct 1, grand larceny 1, intoxication 2, intoxication and disorderly conduct 1, petit larceny 1,—total 8.

Hurly—Assault and battery 1, disorderly conduct 1, intoxication 2, intoxication and disorderly conduct 4, petit larceny 1,—total 9.

Halloway—Intoxication and disorderly conduct 2—total 2.

Jorden—Assault and battery 2, disorderly conduct 1, fighting in the streets 1. Intoxication 3, intoxication and disorderly conduct 5, petit larceny 2—total 14.

Killeauley—Assault and battery 2, disorderly conduct 4, intoxication 4, intoxication and disorderly conduct 5, insanity 1, violation of Corporation Ordinances 1—total 17.

Murphy—Disorderly conduct 1, intoxication 11, intoxication and disorderly conduct 7, insanity 1, keeping disorderly house 1, vagrancy 2—total 23.

Moulds—Assault and battery 1, disorderly conduct 2, intoxication 4, intoxication and disorderly conduct 4, insanity 1, petit larceny 1, vagrancy 1—total 14.

McNamara—Forfeiting bail 1 intoxication 3, intoxication and disorderly conduct 6—total 10.

McLaughlin—Intoxication 1, intoxication and disorderly conduct1, petit larceny 1, suspicion of theft 1—total 4.

O'Donnell—Assault and battery 1, disorderly conduct 1, fighting in the streets 1, intoxication 1, intoxication and disorderly conduct 2—total 6.

Robbins—Fighting in the streets 2, intoxication 4, intoxication and disorderly conduct 1, petit larceny 1, vagrancy 1, —total 9.

Strong—Grand larceny 1, intoxication 1, insanity 1, threatning life 1, vagrancy 1—total 5.

Scheel—Disorderly conduct 2, intoxication 4, intoxication and disorderly conduct 5, keeping a disorderly house 1, petit larceny 4—total 16.

Smith—Assault and battery 1, disorderly conduct 1, fighting in the streets 1, intoxication 2, intoxication and disorderly conduct 5. Total 10.

Sanford, intoxication 1. Total 1.

Thompson—Intoxication 1, intoxication and disorderly conduct 1. Total 2.

Palide—Burglary 1, fighting in the streets 1, intoxication 4, intoxication and disorderly conduct 3, petit larceny 1, suspicion of theft 1 Total 11.

Van Voorhies—Assault and battery 1, fighting in the streets 2, intoxication 1, intoxication and disorderly conduct 2. Total 6.

Van Riper—Intoxication 3, intoxication and disorderly conduct 2, suspicion of theft 1. Total 6.

Ward—Assault and battery 2, disorderly conduct 3, exposure of person 1, intoxication 2, intoxication and disorderly conduct 2, petit larceny 2, insanity 1. Total 13.

J. L. Ayres—Assault and battery 1, disorderly conduct 2, fighting in the streets 1, intoxication 7, intoxication and disorderly conduct 2, petit larceny 1. Total 14.

Report of Chief of Police, showing the number of persons accommodated with lodgings at the Station House each month, together with their Age, Place of Birth, Color, Profession, and Degree of Education, from the First day of November 1858, to the First day of February 1859, inclusive.

Number of persons accommodated with lodgings, 1549, as follows: November, 468; December, 523; January, 558.—Total to end of quarter, 1549.

Age, Place of Birth, Color, Profession, and Degree of Education, classified as follows:

	1858.		1859.	
AGE.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Total.
Ten years and under	1	1		2
Ten to twenty	33	47	89	169
Twenty to thirty	174	221	213	609
Thirty to forty	159	121	135	415
Forty to fifty	60	96	78	234
Fifty and over	41	37	42	120
	468	523	558	1549
WHERE BORN.				
United States	70	109	99	287
Ireland	234	256	283	773
England	65	78	66	209
Scotland	15	9	25	49
Germany	66	63	81	210
France	7	4	3	14
Other places	2	4	1	7
	468	523	558	1549
COLOR.				
White	468	511	557	1536
Black		12	1	13
	468	523	558	1549
PROFESSION.				
Have Trades	191	179	236	606
No Trades	277	344	322	943
	468	523	558	1549
DEGREE OF EDUCATION.				
Read and write	309	371	417	1097
Read	14	10	14	38
Write			2	2
Neither	145	142	125	412
	468	523	558	1549

Money and property taken from lodgers and prisoners, and at the proper time restored: Monies, $111 25; 2 Silver Watches, and divers articles

Number of days lost by sickness, fifty-two—without leave 9; with leave 8. Total 69.

Respectfully submitted by

BENJAMIN HAINES, Jr.,
Chief of Police.

Jersey City, February 1st, 1859.

The report of the Recorder for the quarter ending January 31st, 1859, was presented, received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows:

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

In pursuance of the charter and obligation imposed upon me as Recorder of the city of Jersey City, I most respectfully beg leave to submit unto your honorable body my quarterly report ending January 31st, 1859.

There were arrested by the Police of Jersey City in the month of November, 1858, ninety-four persons, who were disposed of as follows, viz:

13 were fined two dollars each.
24 committeed to the city prison.
18 " County workhouse.
4 " County jail,
3 held to bail,
1 sent to the Alms House.
31 discharged.

In the month of December, 1858 one hundred and eight persons were arrested by the police, and disposed of as follows, viz:

18 were fined two dollars each.
22 committed to the city prison.
20 " " county workhouse.
6 " " county jail.
9 held to bail.
33 discharged.

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5 " " county jail,
3 held to bail.
3 sent to the Alms House.
38 discharged.

The total amount of fines received during the quarter ending January 31st, 1859, being eighty-eight dollars, I have paid the same to the City Treasurer.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

DAVID BEDFORD, Recorder.

A statement by the Comptroller of the expenditures for the nine months ending January 31st, 1859, &c., was presented, received, and the following resolution in relation thereto was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh, and adopted.

Resolved, That the communication from the Comptroller, setting forth the expenses of the city government, be published in the regular minutes of the Board.

Said communication being as follows:

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Jersey City, Feb. 14, 1859.
To the Honorable the Common Council of Jersey City:

The undersigned respectfully presents the enclosed statement of expenditures for the nine months ending January 31st, 1859, on accounts provided for by appropriation under Tax Ordinance of 1858.

Respectfully your obt. servt.,
J. V. HARDENBERGH, Comptroller.

Statement of Expenditures from May 1st, 1858, to February 1st, 1859, (being nine months) on accounts provided for by appropriations made under Tax Ordinance for the fiscal year 1858.

		Appropriation.	Expenditures.	Unexpended.
1	Street Repairing	$3000 00	$3018 98	
2	" Cleaning	2500 00	1288 75	$1211 25
3	" Lighting	8000 00	4327 24	3672 76
4	Support of Police	16000 00	10898 79	5101 21
5	Support of Almshouse and Hospital	7000 00	5773 80	1226 20
6	Sup. of City Prison	600 00	398 25	201 75
7	" Public Schools	11000 00	8921 95	2078 05
8	Support of Fire Engines & Fire Department	1000 00	1583 13	
9	Payment of salaries of City Officers	10600 00	6975 00	3625 00
10	For ~scrivener for City Clerk	300 00	225 00	75 00
11	For payment of rent of buildings, &c	1500 00	518 75	981 25
12	For printing, stationery & supplies	750 00	1248 16	
13	For the improvement and repairs of pub. buildings,	2000 00	1563 78	436 22
14	For the payment of interest on city debt	4500 00	5197 38	
15	For the sinking fund	500 00		500 00
16	For Fire Department water rents	1000 00	1000 00	
17	For water for use of public buildings	200 00	200 00	
18	For legal expenses and counsel fees	300 00	103 95	196 05
19	For protection of public health and removal of nuisances	200 00	290 50	
20	For expenses of election	175 00	100 69	74 31
21	Balance from last year.. 1751 10 For imp. of Hamilton Square 2000 00 Balance from last year.. 2491 26		2467 46	1283 64
22	For the imp. of Washington Square	1500 00	5286 51	
23	For repairing and cleaning sewers	250 00	238 54	11 46
24	For the celebration of the 4th of July	500 00	489 00	11 00
25	For the erection of a public school house	12000 00		12000 00
26	For city emblems	200 00	200 00	
		91817 36	62315 61	32685 15

The City Clerk presented a report setting forth that all the parties appointed January 18, 1859, as Fire Wardens have qualified with the exception of Jacob Z. Marinus of the Second ward. The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on finance to whom was referred February 1st, 1859, the communication of William C. Morris, Secretary of the Building Association, asking privilege of redeeming two lots in block 54, assessed to Morrell & Vanderbeck, and sold July 27, 1855, for taxes of 1854, to the City Treasurer, asking for an abatement of interest presented a favorable report thereon recommending that the petitioner be allowed to redeem said property by paying the amount of assessment and interest on the same from the date of sale at and after the rate of seven per cent per annum for the reason that the said assessment was informal and illegal. The report was received and adopted.

The committee on finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby empowered and requested to issue under the Corporate Seal of the city declarations of sale to purchasers at the sale by the corporation of Jersey City on the third day of February eighteen hundred and fifty nine for unpaid water rents of 1857. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets who have under consideration the petition referred to them February 1st. 1859, of Henry French and Thomas Kelly to have the south side of Railroad avenue between Warren street and Prospect street improved by flagging, curbing, guttering, paving, filling, etc., presented a report recommending the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Saturday, March 12, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M. at the City Clerk's office No. 23 Montgomery street is hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the committee on streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council February 1st, 1859, by Henry French and Thomas Kelly to have the south side of Railroad avenue between Warren street and Prospect street flagged, curbed, guttered, paved and filled in to the established grade including all intersections and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the two Jersey City papers for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on police reported a list of names of Policemen who have and who have not complied with the provisions of the ordinance concerning inns and taverns and the same was received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows:

List of names of the Police force who have not complied with the ordinance in regard to "Inns and Taverns," together with those who have, and the number made by each man.

Officers not complied.

Jonathan Baldwin,	Michael McLaughlin,
Stephen Bennett,	James Moulds,
Thomas Callahan,	Robert Duffey,
Patrick Hurly,	Patrick Jordan,
Joseph Carroll,	Daniel McNamara,
Martin Ward,	Ira Smith,
Michael Killcauley,	John Sanford,
William Strong,	John Thompson,
John Murphy,	John Van Voorhis,
Peter Scheel,	Abraham Van Riper,
John O'Donnell,	

Names of those who have complied, and number of complaints made by each man.

Jarvis Ayers,.....1	Francis Valide,.....6
Thomas Robbins,.....3	Chancellor W. Chase,.....1
Robbins Holloway,.....4	William Daley,.....2
John B. Davis,.....5	—
Julian Chazotte,.....1	Total.....23

The committee on public grounds and buildings to whom was referred November 16, 1858, the communication of R. B. Kashow in reference to his claims for rent of Comptroller's office presented a report setting forth that said claims have been paid. The report was received and ordered filed.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hankins and rejected:

Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney is hereby instructed, whenever he shall be requested by the committee on licenses to do so, to carry up to the proper Court by appeal, any case which may be decided by the Recorder, touching the violation of any of the city ordinances respecting licenses.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Earle and adopted:

Resolved, That the time allowed to parties to redeem property sold for taxes and bought by the city, be extended to May 1st, so far as the N. J. R. R. and Transportation Co.—and also ——Madigan are concerned.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman W. R. Brown and adopted:

Resolved. That the City Attorney be instructed to take the cases of the Morris Canal and Banking Company against the City, lately determined by the Chancellor by appeal or other appropriate process to the Court of Errors and Appeals and that two warrants be drawn and executed according to law for one hundred dollars each, payable to the order of

the said Attorney, in order to cover the expences—in case the said suits should be determined adversely to the City, in the said Court of Errors and Appeals, according to the rules of the said Court.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Hankins and laid upon the table, viz :

"An ordinance to repeal all ordinances of the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City in relation to the establishment and maintainance of a Police Department in Jersey City."

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the objection of his Honor the Mayor to approving the resolution passed January 4th, 1859, directing the readvertisement and sale of blocks J. K. L. and M., were taken up for consideration.

After some discussion, on motion of Alderman Erwin the objections were again laid upon the table.

On motion of Alderman Hankins it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet at the City Clerk's office on Wednesday the 23d inst. at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board then adjourned

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the City Clerk's office, Wednesday, February 23, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, McBride, Tilden and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Petitions were presented and disposed of as follows ;

Of George McLaughlin and others for abatement of nuisance on block 75 (as designated on Clerk & Bacot's map) consisting of stagnant water on sunken lots in said block.

Referred to the committee on public health with power.

Of John S Bartlett for reduction of assessment on his lot 133 Morgan street, block 50, sold August 11, 1854, for assessment for filling Warren street between Morgan street and Montgomery street.

Referred to the committee on assessments.

Of New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company in relation to gates at the crossing of Grove street.

Referred to the committee on streets with instructions to give the parties interested a hearing.

Of Samuel Britton and others for permission to pave South 3d street from Jersey avenue 100 feet west at their own expense under the direction of the committee on streets.

Referred to the committee on streets with power to grant the permission asked for.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Of Frederick Boyes, $28 15, and $12 50. Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of William B. Dunning, $66 75. Referred to the committee on finance.

Of Frederick Boyes, $21 37. Referred to the committee on fire and water.

Of Frederick Boyes, $1 88. Referred to the committee on police.

Alderman Hankins, from the committee on public grounds and buildings, submitted the outlines of the plans of a public school house in the third ward ; and on motion of Alderman Tilden they were ordered to be placed in the City Clerk's office for examination and their consideration postponed until the next regular meeting of the Board.

Alderman Hankins moved

"That Mr. Quaife, the Architect, be permitted, on giving a receipt to the City Clerk, to take the plans away from his office."

The motion was rejected.

Alderman Earle called the attention of the Board to the fact that several acts are now pending in the State Legislature chartering Railroad Companies and giving to some of them power to lay rails in the streets of Jersey City without the authority or consent of the corporation of the city ; and on his motion it was

Resolved, That Alderman Tilden be requested to guard the interests of this city so far as sundry contemplated acts of the Legislature are concerned in relation to the laying of Railroad Tracks in Jersey City.

On motion of Alderman Wickware the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, March 1st, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

In the absence of the President at the hour of meeting the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

President Thurston and Aldermen J. M. Brown, McLaughlin and Wickware were absent at the calling of the roll, but appeared during the reading of the minutes and took their seats. Alderman Earle was absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Hankins.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, Alderman Van Vorst was appointed President pro tempore and presided until the arrival of the President.

The minutes of the regular meeting of February 15th, 1859, and of the adjourned regular meeting of February 23d, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Edward P. Torrey and others to have Morgan street, from Prospect to Greene streets, filled to the established grade and paved. Referred to Committee on Streets

Petition of S. M. Hoffman and others, to have Newark avenue, between Warren and Grove streets, raised to the established grade, repaved, &c. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of J. J. Johnson and others, for erection of gas or camphene lamps on the corners of South Eighth, Colgate and Merseles streets. Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Petition of Brown, Brothers & Co., for privilege of redeeming their lots assessed and sold with lots belonging to other parties, for taxes. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Jabob Weart, Esq., for a change in the law relative to sales for taxes, &c., and submitting a supplementary act, and asking that it be approved, and its enactment asked for from the Legislature. Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of Michael Malone, setting forth that lots belonging to him and located in Mercer street, were sold nearly two years ago for an assessment, which was certioraried, and in his opinion a certiorari is a supersedeas, &c. Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Petition of A. F. Burlew and others, asking the Common Council to recommend the passage by the Legislature of an act authorizing the property owners on Newark avenue to improve said avenue, &c. Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances, by whom the following resolution was subsequently reported:

Resolved, That the Committee on Laws and Ordinances be instructed to draft an act, and forward the same to one of our Representatives from this county in the Legislature, authorizing the city to improve Newark avenue, in the same manner that others streets are improved in said city.

The resolution was adopted.

Communication from William Bumstead, relative to sales of his lots for taxes. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of William Rowlands for a license to vend meat, fish, etc. Referred to committee on licenses; who subsequently presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit, and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city to William Rowlands on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Daily Telegraph, $40 16, and $37 12; and William B. Dunning, $23 15. Referred to committee on finance.

Of Charles J. Smith, $50; and Edward Barton, $5. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of W. L. Ormsby, $15 25. Referred to committee on fire and water.

Of Hugh Billingsley, $17 50. Referred to committee on lamps.

Of J. F. Richardson, $14 12. Referred to committee on police.

Of W. B. Dunning, $5 26. Referred to committee on streets.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Jacob Erwin, $189 38; Drayton & Durant, $146 70; Ward & McGown, $88 64; H. A. Miller, $77 67; Hugh Reilly, $28 19; J. F. Richardson, $26 25; T. C. Brown, Attorney, $18 93; John Savery Sons, $16; S. A. French, $11 42; John Garvey, $10; A. B. Reynolds, $5 03; W. B. Dunning, $3; and Japhet Jardine, $2 33.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Boardwere reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Charles Lenzmann, $605; John Coar, $595; Jersey City Gas Light Co.. $44 96; Commissioners of Appeals, $42; James C. Smith, $31 93; John Coar, $28 56; P. H. Nugent, $21 50; Frederick Boyes, $21 37; Frederick Anness, $12 16; Thomas Howe, $9 61; Japhee Jardine, $6 33, and $5 94; Thomas Howe, $5 20; Japhet Jardine, $4 60; J. McGuigan, $4 56; A. M. Morehouse, $4 13; McAllister & Manning, $3 50; F. T. Farrier, $2 80; John McGuigan 88 cents; Thomas Kelly 75 cents.

The City Treasurer's report for February, 1859, showing balance in the Treasury on the 1st March inst, of $16,079 36, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the Board of Water Commissioners requesting the cancellation of sale of lot 4, Grove street, in block 149 and lot 86 Steuben street, block 50, made for Water Rents. The communication was received and referred to the committee on finance.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing returns of the elections of Jacob Fresch by Engine Co. No. 3, and Michael Doyle by Engine Co. No. 4, confirmed by the Board of Fire Commissioners. The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department approved and confirmed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application to have South Second street from Newark avenue to the easterly side of Prospect street, including intersections, paved, etc. The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on streets reported as correct the claims referred to them February 15, 1859, of Enos Cole for $1233 72, and I. B. & D. E. Culver for $47. and the claim referred to them January 4, 1859, of John Wiseman, for $82 50, all for work and materials in the improvement of Morgan street from Prospect to Grove street.

The reports were received, adopted, and the claims referred to the committee on assessments to be assessed.

The committee on finance presented a report in relation to property of George Kolmeyer, sold August 4, 1856, to the City Treasurer for taxes of 1855, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant for one hundred and twenty-nine dollars and ninety-six cents be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George Kolmeyer, to refund to him the amount paid in redemption of lots 1 to 4 inclusive, Meadow street, and lots 25 to 32, inclusive, North 1st street, in block 85 sold August 4, 1856, for taxes of 1855, to the City Treasurer, but which taxes had been previously paid to the Collector of Taxes for that year, and for which Kolmeyer holds a receipt.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance to whom was referred January 18, 1859, the petition of Henry C. Flender in relation to his property sold August 4, 1856, for taxes of 1855, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made by this corporation of lot No. 6, block 199, (or 49 Jersey street) sold for taxes of 1855 be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that the owner of said lot has paid to the Collector of Taxes the amount due for the year 1855.

The report was received and the resolution adopted:

The committee on finance to whom was referred Dec: 21, 1858, the communication from Noah D. Taylor asking that a bond for $2000 be issued to him for amount of loan for erection of Fire Engine House No. 1, returned the same and the communication was referred to the committee on fire and water.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances to whom was referred February 1st, 1859, the communication from E. B. Wakeman, Esq., Attorney for E. L. Veile, proposing to refer

to arbitration the matters in controversy between him and the city, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the petition of E. B Wakeman, Esq., Attorney of E. L. Veile, presented to this Common Council Feby. 1st, 1859, to have the matters in difference between the city and said Veile arbitrated, be and the same is hereby granted upon condition that the bond of arbitration be duly executed and presented to this Board at its next regular meeting, and that the matters in difference be referred to Asa Whitehead, Esquire, of Newark, as sole arbitrator, who, by reason of his great experience, legal attainments, and judicial character, is, in the estimation of this Common Council, eminently qualified to act in such capacity; and be it further

Resolved, That the bond of arbitration be drawn under the inspection of the Corporation Attorney and approved of by him before it is submitted to the Board; and that the suit commenced by the city against said Veile be in no wise delayed until after the execution of said bond.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

(Alderman Earle appeared and took his seat.)

The Committee on Assessments presented a repert in relation to the assessment confirmed March 1st, 1853, on property of S W. Smith for filling Warren street between Montgomery and Morgan streets, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made by the Corporation of Jersey City on the 11th August, 1854 to the City Treasurer, of lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 67, 68, in block 48, and of lots 72, 79, 80, 81, and 84 in block 50, for the assessment for filling of Warren street, between Montgomery and Morgan streets, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that the assessment on said lots has been set aside by the Supreme Court, and a re-assessment made and confirmed and the amount thereof paid into the City Treasury by the owner of said lots.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred January 18, 1859, the petition of H. M. Soule and others for the improvement of South Second street, presented a report accompanied by the following entitled ordinance, viz.:

"An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade, paving, curbing, guttering and laying cross-walks at all intersections, and the south sidewalk flagged, where the same has as yet not been done, and to repave, relay the flagging, curbing, guttering and bridging, where the same is required to be so done in South Second street, from the easterly side of Provost street to Newark avenue, including intersections."

The report was received, adopted, and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred December 7, 1858, the petition of John Pringle and others, to have the sidewalk on the north side of Bright street, between Grove and Barrow streets flagged, presented a report adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioners, for the reason that the petitioners deem it inexpedient to make any public improvements in that street, until after the close of the present litigation in regard to the width of it. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred February 15, 1859, the petition of Jacob Erwin and others, asking that in the matter of the Steuben street arbitration, the arbirator to be appointed on the part of the City, be some disinterested person, who has not acted on the former assessment, presented a report stating that the matter has been placed in the hands of the Committee on Laws and Ordinances and the Corporation Attorney, and the Committee deem it discourteous to grant the prayer of the petitioners. The report wae received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets who have under consideration the petition referred to them February 15, 1859, of E. B. Wakeman, to have parts of South Sixth, South Seventh and Colgate streets filled to the depth of three feet, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Friday, March 25, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, is hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet or the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, February 15, 1859, by E. B. Wakeman, to have South Sixth street from the westerly side of Brunswick street, to the easterly side of Merseles street, filled in to the depth of three feet, also Colgate street between South Sixth and South Seventh streets, including all intersections, filled in to the depth of three feet, and also South Seventh street, from a point one hundred feet west of Brunswick street to the westerly line of Colgate street, filled in three feet, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the two Jersey City papers, for the length of time required by the City charter, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred February 15, 1859, the petition of John Post and others, for extension of time for filling sidewalk on north side of Newark avenue, presented a report adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioners and stating that said sidewalk should be filled up to the established grade as speedily as possible. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred February 15, 1859, the remonstrance of James R. Thompson and others against the paving of the side walk of Warren street between Morris and Essex on the west side of Warren and of Essex street for fifty feet west of Warren, presented a report adverse to granting the prayer of the remonstrance for the reason that at the time appointed for a hearing no one appeared before the Committee on Streets to oppose the contemplated improvemeut. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred February 23, 1859, the petition of Samuel Britton and others for permission to pave South 3d street from Jersey avenue one hundred feet west, at their own expense but under the direction of the Committee on Streets, presented a report setting forth that pursuant to the order of the Common Council they have granted he permission asked for. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Public Ground and Buildings to whom were referred February 1st, 1859, the nine proposals for the contract to erect a Station House and Bell Tower, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proposal of Dobson & Lewis to furnish the materials and erect a Station House and Bell Tower on the property recently purchased by the City on Gregory street be accepted, and that said contract be awarded to them on their giving the required security for the fulfillment of said contract, and that contracts be prepared by the Corporation Attorney under the direction of the Committee Public Grounds and Buildings, conformable to said proposal and the specifications, and be executed on the part of the City by the Mayor and City Clerk under its corporate seal on the requisition of said Committee after said contracts, and a bond for their fulfillment shall have been executed by said Dobson & Lewis and their sureties to the satisfaction of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings and the Mayor of the City.

The report was receive and the resolution laid upon the table.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Voorhies:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the Treasurer of the city for two hundred dollars in favor of Terrance Beirnes, in part payment of his bill for work done on Washington Square.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Wickware, Clarke and McLaughlin:

Yeas—Aldermen Erwin, McBride and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Hankins.

Alderman W. R. Brown offered the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, An act is now pending before the Legislature of New Jersey, entitled "An act to incorporate the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company" which proposes to grant powers to the corporators named therein, which in the opinion of this Common Council are subversive of the rights of the municipal authorities of this city. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the Hon. Samuel A. French, the Member

of the House of Assembly from Jersey City, and his associate members of the House of Assembly from this County, and the Hon. C. V. Clickener, Senator from Hudson County, are hereby respectfully requested to guard the interests of Jersey City by endeavoring to have inserted in said act such amendments as will effectually destroy its present objectionable features, and that we respectfully suggest and urge the following changes, viz :

1. Insert a provision that no railroad or branches shall be constructed within the limits of any incorporated city in Hudson County, without the consent first had and obtained of the Common Council of such cities.

2. Prohibit the holding by said company of more than one acre of land at any commencement, termini, or intermediate depots, unless all over that quantity be purchased with the full consent of the owner of lands desired bysaid company.

3. Provide that the building of the road shall be commenced within one year. and shall be completed within four years.

4. Provide that they shall pay taxes on their property precisely at the same rates and in the same marner that owners of private property are required to.

Resolved, That copies of the foregoing preamble and resolution be forwarded by the City Clerk, under the Corporate Seal of the City, to the Senator and Members of the House of Assembly from Hudson County, in our State Legislature.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen W. R. Brown, Hardenbergh and Tilden :

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Hankins.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That Aldermen Tilden, Voorhies and W. R. Brown, be appointed a committee to proceed to Trenton and present to the members of the Legislature from Hudson Co. the amendments proposed by this Board to the acts now pending before the Legislature in relation to the laying of Railroad tracks in Jersey City.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst the objections of His Honor the Mayor to approving the resolution passed January 4, 1859, directing the re-advertisement and sale of blocks J. K. L. and M. for unpaid taxes of the year 1857, and the motion made at that meeting to pass the resolution notwithstanding the objections were taken up for consideration.

The subject was discussed and the whole matter again laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Wickware.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, March 15, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

In the absence of the President at the hour of meeting the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Van Vorst.

President Thurston, and Aldermen Decker, Erwin, Voorhies, and Wickware were absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Absent—Alderman J. M. Brown.

In the absence of the President at the opening of the session on motion of Alderman Tilden, Alderman Van Vorst was appointed President pro tempore, and presided until the President's arrival.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on the 1st inst, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of George McLaughlin and others for the construction of a sewer from Warren street through Newark avenue to Henderson street. Referred to committee on sewers.

Petition of John Corrigan and others against the removal of the gates, etc., from Grove street where it is crossed by the Railroad. Laid upon the table.

Petition of David Bedford and others to have Coles street between South Second street and the southerly side of South Fourth street filled to the established grade, etc. Referred to the committee on streets, and on motion of Alderman W. R. Brown it was

Resolved, That Monday April 11th, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M. be appointed as the time and the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, as the place, when and where the committee on streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the application presented this evening of David Bedford and others to have that portion of Coles street lying between South Fourth street and the southerly side of South Second street filled in to the established grade, curbed, guttered and paved, and cross walks laid at all the intersections of Coles st., with other streets between the said South Fourth and South Second sts, and that the City Clerk be instructed to publish in both of the Jersey City papers for the length of time required by law notice of the appointment of said time and place for a hearing.

Petition of John J. Wanner and others, for the construction of a culvert and receiving basin on the southeast corner of Greene and Grand streets, to connect with the sewer in Grand street. Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Communication of Martin Gallagher stating that he has been charged "with filling in a lot No. 4 Railroad avenue, which was never done." Referred to Committee on Finance.

Communication of John Kernan in relation to payment by him for taxes of 1854, on his lot B, Railroad avenue, in bl. A. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Communication of Charles Fink resigning his office of Water Commissioner, his resignation to take effect April 11 1859. Laid upon the table.

Communication of Rev. J. Kelly in relation to lots in Grand street, belonging to St. Peter's church, sold for taxes of 1856. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of H. Clay Barlow and others, for the removal of a nuisance known as Thomas Kelly's cow stables, located near the corners of Monmouth and South Fifth streets Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of John B. Drayton and others for the removal of a nuisance, consisting of sunken lots on the south side of Montgomery street, west of Henderson street. Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of Heirs of J.B.Coles and Thos. Carey, owners of all the lots fronting on South Second street, between the centre line of Monmouth street and Newark avenue, for permission to improve, at their own expense, that portion of South Second street. Referred to Committee on Streets with power.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of I. B. & D. E. Culver, $13 ; W. B. Dunning, $4 81 and $1 68. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Of W. B. Telfer, $61. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of A. B. Reynolds, $49 78. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate Committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Police Department, $1336 10; Ward & McGown, $126 34; Nathaniel Ellis, $125; H. A. Miller, $67 61; Detlif Lienau, $50; A. B. Reynolds, $47 57; Brinkerhoff & Son, $45; Nathaniel Ellis, $33 17; Mrs. Ann Eaton, $17; Jones & Terhune, $5; John Marsey, $4, and J. H. Hughes, $2.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of W. B. Dunning, $66 75; M. Sharp, $52 01; C. J. Smith, $50; Daily Telegraph, $40 16 and $37 12; M. Sharp, $35 89; Joseph B. Stone, $30; Frederick Boyes, $28 15; Wm. B. Dunning, $23 15; Stephen Quaife, $20; Hugh Billingsley, $17 50; W. L. Ormsby, $15 25; J. F. Richardson, $14 12; Frederick Boyes, $12 50; William B. Dunning, $5 26; Edward Barton, $5 00; Frederick Boyes, $1 88; Samuel Hetherington, $1 50; McAlister & Manning, $1 25, and A. M. Morehouse, 50 cents.

The Collector of Arrears of Taxes' report of his proceedings and list of delinquents with sums due from them, was presented, received, and on motion of Alderman Van Vorst it was

Resolved, That the Collector of Arrears of Taxes' list of arrearages be referred to the committee on finance with instructions to advertise and sell according to law all real estate upon which the taxes for the current year have not been paid, and with power to make all needful rules and regulations for the government of such sale, and with authority to suspend or adjourn the sale of the same or any part theref.

A communication of the Collector of Arrears of Taxes reporting that he had erroneously returned in the list of arrearages of 1856 lot 26 York street in block 19, and lot 4 Newark avenue, in block 76, and that the same had been sold for said taxes, was presented, received, referred to the committee on finance. Subsequently a report thereon was presented, accompanied by the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the sale made by this corporation on 23d of March 1857, of lot 26, York street, in block 19, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that said taxes were previously paid to the Collector of Arrears of Taxes for that year, and that a warrant for the purchase money ($23 52) together with interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum from the day of sale be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser Benjamin O. Edge, and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot.

Resolved, That the sale made by this corporation on the 23d March 1857, of lot 4, Newark avenue, in block 76, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that the said taxes were previously paid to the Collector of Arrears of Taxes of that year, and that a warrant for the purchase money ($12 05) together with the interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent per annum from the day of sale be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser John B. Vroom, and be deliverod to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The following requisition from the Board of Education was presented and received :

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City :

At a meeting of the Board of Education held at the City Clerk's office, Tuesday evening, March 8

It was resolved, that requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims :

To R. B. Earle & Co., for furniture for school.....$26 82

" Sheldon, Blakeman & Co., for books and stationery.....173 49

" Uzal Cory, for refitting furnaces, &c.....70 88

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, March 11, 1859.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That warrants be drawn by the City Clerk agreeably to the requisition of the Board of Education, dated March 8th, 1859.

A communication was presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, with the approval of the Commission-

ers of the Fire Department endorsed, containing a return of the election of James McGowan as a member of Engine Company No. 4. The communication was received and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Dedartment approved and confirmed.

The City Clerk presented two orders of the Supreme Court of New Jersey served upon him March 10th, 1859, in relation to the assessments on property of Michael Mullone, for the improvement of Mercer and Warren streets. The papers was received and referred to the Corporation Attorney.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have the south side of Railroad avenue between Warren street and Prospect street, including all intersections filled in to the established grade, paved, flagged, curbed, guttered, &c." The report was received and ordered filed.

The Special Committee on the Washington Square Improvement to whom was referred January 18th, 1859, the claim of Terrence Beirne, amounting to $663 25, presented a report thereon setting forth that the Committee have carefully examined the same and obtained estimates from other florists upon the value of the work performed, and submitting the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant for two hundred and thirty one dollars and twenty-seven cents be drawn in favor of Terence Beirne for payment in full for articles furnished and work performed in the embellishment of Washington Square, provided that a bond of indemnity shall be executed and deposited in the office of the city Comptroller, the condition of which bond shall set forth that in case any of the trees, plants, or shrubs planted by said Beirne in said Square shall decay within the space of one year, they shall be replaced by others in good condition, and that the number of sureties of the bond shall be at least two good names to be approved by a majority of the Special Committee on Washington Square.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance to whom was referred February 15, 1859, the petition of John Patton, Junior, by his Attorney, Samuel Cassedy, Esq., asking that the amount of purchase money of lot 3 and part of lot 1, purchased by him at the Water Rents sale of November 8, 1856, may be refunded with interest, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made by this corporation November 8, 1855, for Water Rents due prior to December 20, 1855 of lot 3 and part of lot 1, Sussex street, block 4, assessed to John Hatfield, to John Patten, Junior, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that the said lots were incorrectly described in the printed advertisement of sale; and that a warrant for the purchase money, forty three dollars and three cents together with interest thereon from the date of sale at the rate of seven per cent per annum be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser, John Patten, Junior, and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale for said lot and part of a lot.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance to whom was referred September 7, 1858, the communication of Homer Ramsdell relative to overpayment of taxes presented a report accompanied by a communication from the Comptroller, and the following resolutions:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of Homer Ramsdell, Esq., for $33 13, being the amount overpaid on taxes for year 1857, together with the interest added from January 1st 1858 to April 1st 1859.

Resolved, That the sale made by this corporation for taxes of 1857 of lots 1 to 8, inclusive block 114 Provost street, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that the owners of said lots paid to the Collector of Taxes of 1857, the amount due on said lots for taxes of 1857, and the same has been paid into the City Treasury, and that a warrant for the purchase money together with the interest thereon from the date of said sale at the rate of seven per centum per annum be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lots.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred November 23d, 1858, the communication from the Comptroller stating that he has examined the books of the Collector of Taxes for 1857, and containing a statement of the result of such examination reported the following resolution:

Resolved. That the communication of the Comptroller stating that upon an examination of the books of the Collector of Taxes of 1857, showing a deficit of $201 95, be referred to the Corporation Attorney for the purpose of collecting the same

The report was received and the resolutiou adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred January 4th, 1859, the petition of Walter K. Moore to be relieved from taxes, he not being the owner of any taxable property presented a report stating that the petition does not require any action of the Common Council. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred March 1st, 1859, the communication from the Board of Water Commissioners requesting the cancelling of sale of lot 4 Grove st. in block 149, and lot 86 Steuben street in block 50, presented a report accompanied by the following resolutions;

Resolved. That the sale made by this corporation on the 8th November, 1856, for water rents due prior to December 20th, 1855, of lot 4 Grove street in block 149, belonging to Edward Evans, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk on Mr. Evans paying into the city treasury the sum of seven dollars and ninety-three cents, with interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the day of sale; and that a warrant for the purchase money ($10 36), with interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the day of sale November 8th, 1856, be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser John Patten, Junior, and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale for said lot.

Resolved, That the sale made by this Corporation on the 28th July, 1857, for water rents of 1856, of lot 86 Steuben st., in block 50, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that said water rents were paid at the Water Commissioners office, and erroneously returned as unpaid.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred October 19th, 1858, the petition of Thomas Meekins to have refunded the amount paid by him on redemption of lot 10 Sussex st., in block 5, sold August 4th, 1856, for taxes of 1855, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Thomas Meekins for thirty one dollars and fifty one cents, with interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the 4th August, 1858, to refund the amount paid by him in redemption of lot 10 Sussex street in block 5, sold August 4th, 1856 for taxes of 1855, redeemed by him on the 4th August, 1858, but which taxes had been previously paid to the Collector of taxes of that year and erroneously returned by him as unpaid.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets who have under consideration the petition referred to them March 1, 1859, of E. P. Torrey and others, to have Morgan street, from Prospect to Greene streets, filled to the established grade and paved, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution in relation thereto:

Resolved, That Saturday, April 9, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock, P. M., is hereby appointed as the time and the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, as the place when and where the Committee on Streets of the Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on its merits, all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, March 1st, 1859, by Edward P. Torrey and others, to have Morgan street from Prospect to Greene streets filled to the established grade and paved, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the two Jersey City papers, for the length of time required by the city charter, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets who have under consideration the petition referred to them March 1st, 1859, of S. M. Hoffman and others, to have Newark avenue, between Warren and Grove streets, raised to the established grade and repaved, &c., presented a report accompanied by the following resolution in relation thereto:

Resolved, That Saturday, April 9, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock, P. M., is hereby appointed as the time, and the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, as the place when and

where the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council March 1st, 1859, by S. M. Hoffman and others, to have Newark avenue, between Warren and Grove streets, raised to the established grade and repaved, with all the necessary crosswalks, also to have the curb and gutter raised and the sidewalks flagged their full width, with the proper raise of four inches in ten feet from curb to the street line; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the two Jersey City papers for the length of time required by the city charter, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred February 15th, 1859, the petition of Richard Mycoeth and others, for the passage of an ordinance requiring the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation company, to drill their cars with horse power instead of Locomotive power, presented a report stating that the Committee caused to be published a notice in the two daily papers of the city for several days, appointing the 14th instant at 7½ o'clock, P. M., at the City Clerk's office, as the time and place for a hearing of all parties interested in the matter, and at the time and place named parties appeared and urged the granting of the prayer of the petitioners, but no one appeared on behalf of the New Jersey Railroad company nor did any one appear and oppose the granting of the prayer of the petitioners excepting the agents of the Erie Railroad company, who alleged that it is impracticable for that company to use any other than locomotive or steam power in the drilling of their cars; the report being accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney is hereby instructed to prepare and report to this Board at its next regular meeting an ordinance prohibiting the drilling of railroad cars in Jersey City with any other than horse power.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred February 1st, 1859, the petition of Henry French and Thomas Kelly for the improvement of the south side of Railroad avenue, between Warrenstreet and Prospect street, by flagging, curbing, guttering, &c., presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following entitled ordinance.

"An ordinance providing for the flagging, curbing, guttering, paving and filling in to the established grade of the south side of Railroad avenue between Warren street and Prospect street including intersections."

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The committee on streets to whom was referred January 4th, 1859, the petition of George McLaughlin and others to have obstructions removed at the crossing of Grove street caused by the gates of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, presented a report accompanied by the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney is hereby directed in case he can be shown a plan equally protective and less objectionable to notify the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company to remove from the side walks on Grove street where the same is intersected by the Railroad avenue the obstructions consisting of the fences together with the posts and gates erected by said Company and in case the said removal be not made within ten days from the service of such notice that then and in that case the corporation Attorney is hereby instructed to take the proper legal measures to cause said removal.

Resolved, That Saturday, April 9, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M. is hereby appointed as the time when the committee on streets of this Common Council will meet at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street to hear on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application presented to this Common Council January 4, 1859, to have filled, refilled or repaired the side walks on the east side of Grove street north of Newark avenue, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Jersey City papers for at least twenty days, that being the length of time required by the city charter, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The first resolution was amended so as to read as follows:

Resolved, That the corporation Attorney and the committee on streets are hereby directed in case they can be shown a plan equally protective and less objectionable to notify the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company to remove from the side walks on Grove street where the same is intersected by the Railroad avenue the obstructions consisting of the fences together with the posts and gates erected by said company and in case the said removal be not made within twenty days from the service of such notice that then and in that case the corporation Attorney is hereby instructed to take the proper legal measures to cause said removal.

The resolution as amended was then adopted. The second resolution was adopted without amendment.

The Committee on Fire and Water to whom was referred March 1, 1859, the communication from Noah D. Taylor, asking that a bond for $2,000 be issued to him for balance of loan for erection of Engine House, No. 1, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved that the Committee on Finance be requested to make a bond of this city, payable in fifteen years, with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, to Noah D. Taylor for eighteen hundred and twenty five dollars, and that His Honor the Mayor and City Clerk be requested to sign the same under the Corporate seal of the City.

The report was received. The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Wickware.

Nay—Alderman Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Voorhies.

The Committee on Lamps to whom was referred March 1, 1859, the petition of J. J. Johnston and others, for erection of gas or camphene lamps on the corners of South Eighth, Colgate and Merseles streets, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Lamps be and are hereby authorized to have two fluid lamps placed on the corners of South Eighth, Colgate and Merseles streets.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Public Health to whom was referred February 23, 1859, the petition of George McLaughlin and others, for the abatement of a nuisance in block 75, caused by stagnant water on vacant lots in said block, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the owner or owners of the sunken lots in the block known as No. 75, and bounded by Grove, Prospect, Bay and Harsimus streets, are hereby required to fill up the same without delay, so as to effectually abate the nuisance created by the stagnant water and other offensive matter thereon, and that the Street Commissioner, together with the Corporation Attorney, are hereby directed to take the necessary steps to enforce the ordinances of the city in relation to the matter.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Public Health presented a report in relation to nuisances accompanied by the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, complaints have been made to the Committee of this Common Council on Public Health, in relation to the following sunken lots upon which stagnant water and other offensive matter collects, thereby creating nuisances and endangering lives and health of our citizens, viz: The lots on the corner of Henderson and Gregory streets, in the rear of Metropolitan Hall; also the lots on the south side of Montgomery street, between Henderson and Grove streets, known and designated on Clerk & Bacot's map as Nos. 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 76 and 77, in block 69, and also the lots on the side of York street, between Nos. 89 and 95 York street, known and designated on map as Nos. in block Therefore be it

Resolved, That the owners of said lots are hereby required without delay to abate the nuisance complained of, and the Street Commissioner and the Corporation Attorney are hereby instructed to take the legal steps necessary to have the said nuisances promptly abated.

The report was received and the preamble and resolution were adopted.

The Committee on Public Health presented a report in relation to the abatement of nuisances accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner is hereby request-

ed under the advisement of the Corporation Attorney, to take the necessary measures to procure the abatement of the nuisances specified in the first section of "an ordinance declaring nuisances," passed June 19, 1856, wherever such exists in the city, and in case the same be not abated the said officers are hereby directed to prosecute the offenders according to law.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Alderman W. R. Brown the following entitled ordinance presented by the committee on streets March 1st, 1859, was taken up for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade, paving, curbing, guttering and laying cross walks at all intersections, and the south side walk flagged where the same has as yet not been done, and to repave, relay the flagging, curbing, guttering and bridging where the same is required to be so done in South Second street from the easterly side of Provost street to Newark avenue including intersections."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Voorhies.

On motion of Alderman W. R. Brown the following entitled ordinance presented December 21, 1858, was taken up for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for the flagging of the side walk on the west side of Warren street between Morris and Essex streets and of part of the side walk on the northerly side of Essex street lying west of Warren street."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, and Wickware.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Hardenbergh and Voorhies.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst the vote was reconsidered by which was adopted at the last meeting the report of the Committee on Streets on the application of John Pringle to have a side walk laid in Bright street—and on motion of Alderman Van Vorst the report was then laid upon the table :

Alderman Hankins moved to take from the table the report, and the following resolution of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings presented on the 1st instant, in reference to the proposals for contract to build Station House and Bell Tower.

Resolved, That the proposal of Dobson & Lewis to furnish the materials and erect a Station House and Bell Tower on the property recently purchased by the City on Gregory street be accepted, and that said contract be awarded to them on their giving the required security for the fulfillment of said contract, and that contracts be prepared by the Corporation Attorney under the direction of the Committee Public Grounds and Buildings, conformable to said proposal and the specifications, and be executed on the part of the City by the Mayor and City Clerk under its corporate seal on the requisition of said Committee after said contracts, and a bond for their fulfillment shall have been executed by said Dobson & Lewis and their sureties to the satisfaction of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings and the Mayor of the City.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Tilden, Hardenbergh and Van Vorst.

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, and Van Vorst.

Nays—Aldermen Erwin, Tilden and Wickware.

Absent.—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Voorhies.

The resolution was then rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Tilden, Hankins, and Hardenbergh :

Yeas—Aldermen Clarke, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin and Van Vorst.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Decker, Erwin, McBride, Tilden, Voorhies and Wickware.

Absent—Alderman J. M. Brown.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Voorhies and adopted :

Resolved, That all the bids for the building of a Station House, &c., be and they are hereby rejected, and that the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be and they are hereby anthorized and instructed to re-advertise for proposals for the building of a City Prison, Station House and Bell Tower.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted :

Resolved, That the sum of twenty dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of making sundry repairs in the Comptroller's office, and that the same be expended under the direction of the committee on finance.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to lay before the Common Council at its next meeting all the charges against Policemen for neglect of duty or insubordination.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman W. R. Brown and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on streets be permitted to do all necessary repairs on streets until the next regular meeting of this Common Council.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted :

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to receive the sum of one hundred and sixty three dollars, and thirteen cents amount due for assessment on lot No. 129, assessment map, block—for regulation of Washington st. from Steuben to Morgan sts, assessed to Crarey, said lot not having been sold in consequence of failure to return the same for advertisement by the Collector of Assessments.

The following resolution was presentsd by Alderman Van Vorst and adopted :

Resolved, That the city Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to receive the sum of thirty-six dollars and forty cts., amount due for assessment on lots No. 103, 104 105, 106, assessment map, block No. 68, for regulation of Henderson street from Grand street to Newark avenue, assessed to A. Mann, jr., said lots not having been sold at the sale of property held July 1855 for above assessment in consequence of irregularity in advertisement.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That the Mayor be and he is hereby requested not to grant a cart or truck license to any person until he is satisfied that the applicant has been a resident of Jersey City for one year previous to application for such license.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Tilden, and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh was referred to the Committee on Fire and Water :

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be and they are hereby authorized to purchase five hundred feet of hemp hose for Engine Company No. 5, without delay.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Voorhies and adopted :

Resolved, That the time for the redemption of the property of M. Malone, on Mercer street, named in the petition presented to the Common Council, March 1st, 1859, be and the same is hereby extended one month after the questions as to the legality of the assessment on said lots are determined by the Supreme Court.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Special meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, March 29th, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M

In the absence of the President at the hour of meeting the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Alderman Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Tilden, Van Vorst and Wickware.

President Thurston and Alderman Erwin were absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, McBride, McLaughlin and Voorhies.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, Alderman Van Vorst was appointed President pro tempore and presided during the meeting.

The call of the meeting was read by the City Clerk and is as follows :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Jersey City, March 25, 1859.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk—

Sir—You are hereby requested to issue notices for a Special Meeting of the Common Council to be held at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday the 29th inst., at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of designating the places of holding the approaching Charter Election, and to fill the vacancies existing in the offices of election.

I am yours, &c.,
D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

The City Clerk presented a report that he had notified in the manner required by law all the members of the Common Council of the special meeting of this evening.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Wickware and unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended and that this Board do now proceed to appoint viva voce one Judge of Election for the First ward, one Judge of Election for the Second ward, and two Judges of Election for the Fourth ward to fill existing vacancies.

The following named Judges of Election were then unanimously aopointed to fill the vacancies named in the above resolution :

Brenton B. Grinnell for the First ward.

John D. Thompson for the Second ward.

Royston S. Tilden and John Kennedy for the Fourth ward.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Wickware and unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the following be and are hereby designated as the places for holding the polls of the approaching charter election, and that the City Clerk be directed to publish a list of the same in the newspapers of this city from the present time up to the day of election, viz :

First ward—At the old Hook and Ladder House on the north side of Sussex street between Washington and Warren streets.

Second ward—At Engine House No. 3, junction of York and Gregory streets.

Third ward—Engine House No. 5, in Mercer street, between Grove and Barrow streets.

Fourth ward—Phoenix number Two's Engine House, corner Bay street and Newark avenue.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, April 5, 1859, at 7 1 2 o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Thurston and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Wickware.

Absent—Alderman Voorhies.

The minutes of the regular meeting of March 15, 1859, and of the special meeting of March 29, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Petition of Francis Jenkins in relation to sales for taxes on property belonging to the estate of T. L. Smith. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Potition of Henry Stiff in relation to sale for taxes of 1856, of lot 57 Montgomery street. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of John Post to have cancelled the sale of his lot, No. 7 Warren street in block 48, made March 23, 1857 for taxes of 1856. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of S. Alofsen in relation to erroneous tax for 1856, on his property. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Petition of a committee on behalf of the Vestry of St. Matthew's church, asking to have remitted the taxes assessed upon their church property. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of George E. Grenzeback and others to have Jersey street opened from Railroad avenue to Newark avenue, &c. Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of Samuel Wescott and others for permission to ay railroad tracks in Jersey City. Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of Dudley S. Gregory and others for permission to lay railroad tracks in Jersey City. Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of Andrew Clancey and others to have a passage way opened through the railroad fence at the Coles street crossing, to allow pedestrians to pass through without the delay they are now subjected to. Referred to Committee on Streets.

Remonstrance of G. E. Winants and others against the paving of Morgan street, between Prospect and Greene streets, &c. Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of David W Topham to have Patrick Rooney compelled to empty the sink on his premises, No. 166 Grove st. Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of H. Goetschius and others for the abatement of a nuisance created by the boiler and engine lately set up in the Carpenter's shop of Henry Wild in South 4th street, between Cole and Monmouth streets. Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Communication from Dolson & Lewis claiming the contract to erect a Station House and Bell Tower, and giving notice that they will hold the city liable for damages, Laid upon the table.

On motion of Alderman Earle the regular order of business was suspended for the purpose of enabling the committee on Assessments to submit a report.

Whereupon that committee presented a report setting forth that errors have been discovered in the claim referred to them March 1st, 1859, of Enos Cole for materials furnished and labor done in the improvement of Morgan street, from Prospect street to Grove street, accompanied by a memorandum from the board of commissioners for assessments showing the errors; the report recommending that said board be authorized and requested to correct said errors in accordance with their memorandum and to assess the claims as correcedt. The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst the regular order of business was suspended to enable him to offer a resolution. Whereupon he presented the following:

Resolved, That no bill against this corporation shall be audited at the same meeting that said bill is presented.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the resolution was amended by adding the following words "unless by special resolution of the Common Council,"

The resolution as amended was then laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Tilden.

Claims and accounts were presented, receieed and disposed of as follows:

Of Rea & Pollock, $66 76; James McLaughlin, $59 80; N. D. Taylor, $16; James McLaughlin, $45 32: Clarkson Wilson, $40; James McLaughlin, $35 38: John Marshall $22 60; Japhet Jardine, $15 39; William T. Wier, $15; J. B. Cleveland, $13 32; Mynard Sharp, $8 63; $15 44; $6 81; $6 81; $6 81; $6 44; $6 12 and $3 63. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Thomas Royle $16 82; William B. Dunning, $5 06 and $4 81; Thomas Royle, $2 72; W. B. Dunning, $1 68; and Thomas Royle, 93 cents. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Of Jacob Erwin, $162 84; Drayton & Durant, $140 40; Ward & McGown, $60 38; Hugh Reilly, $28 83; Isaac Wakefield $10 17 and Charles N. Betts, $4 97. Referred to the Committre on Alms.

Of Police Department, 1325 95; H. A. Miller, $17 13: J. F. Richardson, $12 50 and Rea & Pollock, $10 13. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Of Board of commissioners of Assessments, $80; C. Zabriskie, $9; Narine & Co. $2 50 and William B. Dunning, $1 65 Referred to the Committee on Assessments.

Of R. D. McClelland, 150; George W. Cassedy, $75, and Geo. W. Cassedy, $500. Referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of A. Love, $1,242 80; Stephen Quaife, $50. and Rea & Pollock, $2 75. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of J. F. Richardson, $44 25; Hugh Billingsley, $17 50, and Mrs. Ann Eaton $17. Referred to the Committee on Lamps,

Of Stephen Quaife, $56 16; William B. Dunning, $16 5, and Daily Telegraph, $23 38. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Of R. D. McClelland, $88 77. Referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Of Thomas Royle, $3 59. Referred to the Committee on Sewers

Of Thomas Royle, $4 37. Referred to the Special Committee on Washington Square Improvement.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, and afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of S. A. French, $87 50; Michael McGuire, $40; Samuel Cassedy; $31 25; Patrick Tarney, $25 50, and John Wiseman, $4.

A claim of Nathaniel Ellis, amounting to $45 47, was presented. Referred to the Committee on Police; afterwards reported correct by said committee for $42 47, and that amount ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts, presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Mynard Sharp, $60 25; A. B. Reynolds, $49 78; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $13· William B. Dunning, $4 81 and $1 68.

A communication was presented from His Honor the Mayor, enclosing an invitation to the municipal authorities of Jersey City, from the Corporation of Brookly, to unite with them in celebrating, on the 27th instant, the introduction of water into that city.

The communication was received, and His Honor the Mayor requested to accept the invitation on behalf of the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City.

On motion of Alderman Wickware, it was

Resolved, That the Marshal be directed to procure, at the expense of the city, the requisite number of carriages for the use of the corporate authorities of Jersey City, on the occasion of the Water Celebration in Brooklyn, on the 27th instant.

A communication from His Honor the Mayor, in response to the resolution of the 15th ult., requesting him to communicate to the Board the charges in his possession against policemen, was presented, accompained by charges against Policemen Durfee, Hurley, Killcauley, and Chase.—The communication and charges were received, and referred to the Committee on Police.

The following communication was presented from the Board of Education:

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at the City

Clerks office on Monday evening, the 4th inst., it was

Resolved, By the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays being taken,

That requisition be made upon the Common Council, in favor of the Board of Education, for the sum of twenty-five hundred and ninety-three dollars and seventy-five cents, ($2,593 75,) for the payment of the salaries of teachers and janitors, for the quarter ending 30th inst.

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, Feb. 5, 1859.

The communication was received, and, on motion of Alderman Hardenberg, it was

Resolved, That a warrant for twenty-five hundred and ninety-three dollars and seventy-five cents be drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of the Board of Education, for payment of salaries to teachers and janitors, which will be due for the quarter ending April 30th, 1859.

The City Treasurer's Report for March, 1859, showing a balance in the Treasury, on the 31st ultimo, of $17,837 64, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, with the approval of the Commissioners of the Fire Department endorsed, containing returns of the elections, and resignations of the following named persons in said Department, viz:

Elections of James P. Lewis and John Geraghty, by Hose Company No. 4; John Camp, Jr., and Luther H. Cummings, by Hook and Ladder Company No. 1; and Theodore Wines and James B. Farrier, by Hose Company No. 3. Ressignations of J. B. Schank, from Hose Company No. 4; B. Frank Grinnell, from Hook and Ladder Company No. 1; and Joseph Carroll, John J. Wanner, and Joseph Quaife, from Engine Company No. 3.

The communications were received, and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

Alderman Earle from the Committee on Assessments, presented the report, map, and schedule of the Board of Commissioners for Assessments of the improvement of Morgan street, from Grove to Prospect street, and the same were received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

Communications were presented from the Board of Water Commissioners, consisting of estimate and descriptions of the cost of building a sewer in Newark avenue and Warren street, and of constructing a culvert and receiving-basin on the south-east corner of Greene and Grand streets. The communications were received, and referred to the Committee on Sewers.

A communication from the Corporation Attorney, to whom was referred, March 15, 1859, rules of the Supreme Court, in relation to Michael Mullone's *Certiorari* of the Warren street and Mercer street assessments, recommending that no further proceedings be taken until the cases shall have been disposed of by the court. The communication was received, and its recommendation adopted.

Communications frem the Collector of Arrears of Taxes, containing lists of the names of parties who have not paid taxes on personal property and their poll taxes for the years 1857 and 1858, were presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have portions of South 6th, South 7th, and Colgate streets filled to the depth of three feet." The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred, October 26th, 1858, the petition of Leonard C. McPhail to have the sale of lot 26 South 4th street, in block 176, made June 7th, 1858, for taxes of 1857 canceled, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made by this corporation on the 7th June, 1858, for taxes of 1857, of lots 26, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32 South 4th street, in block 176, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk, for the reason that the taxes on a portion of the above-described lots was paid to the Collector of Taxes of that year, and the above lots were returned and sold together, and, therefore, the sale is illegal; and that a warrant for the purchase money ($39 33), with the interest thereon, at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser, John Patten, Jr., and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lots. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred, March 1st, 1859, the communication of William Bumstead, relative to the sale of lot 153 Bay street, for taxes of 1855, and lot 35 Gregory street, for taxes of 1848, presented a report, setting forth that they can give no relief as to the sale of lot 35 Gregory street, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution as to the sale of lot 153 Bay street, for taxes of 1855.

Resolved, That the sale made by this corporation of lot No. 153 Bay street for unpaid taxes of 1855, be canceled of record by the City Clerk, for the reason that the owner of said lot has paid the amount due for taxes of 1855, and the same has been paid into the City Treasury. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred, November 16th, 1858, the petition of Abraham Van Buskirk, asking that the sale of his lot, erroneously made for an assessment, may be cancelled, presented a report, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made by this Corporation of lot No. 2, block 199, for assessment for regulating Coles street, from South 5th street to Newark avenue, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk, for the reason that the owner of said lot paid to the Collector of Assessments the amount due on said assessment, and that a warrant for the purchase money, together with the interest thereon from the date of said sale, at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, be drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of the purchaser, and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk, to be cancelled, the declaration of sale of said lot. The report was received, and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred, February 15, 1859, the communication of John H Broas, setting forth that his six lots on block 54 were twice assessed for taxes of 1857, presented a report, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made by this Corporation of six lots in block 54, belonging to Mr. John H. Broas, for taxes of 1857, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk, for the reason that the owner of said property paid to the Collector of Taxes of 1857 the amount due for taxes for that year, (and the same has been paid into the City Treasury,) and that a warrant for the purchase money, together with the interest thereon from the date of said sale, at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, be drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of the purchaser, and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk, for cancelling, the declarations of sale of said lots. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on Finance to whom was referred March 15, 1859, the petition of John Kernan for relief from taxes of 1854, presented a report adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioner for the reason that they cannot find that the taxes of that year were paid, although the petitioner claims to have paid to A. T. Smith, City Treasurer, the amount due, but has no receipt for the same. The report was received and adopted.

The committee on Assessments presented a report and the following resolution respecting the Board of Commissioners for Assessments, report map and schedule relative to the improvement of Morgan street from Grove to Prospect street

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to give notice through the Jersey City papers that the Board of commissioners for Assessments report map and schedule of the improvement of Morgan streeet from Grove to Prospect street are on file in the City Clerk's office No. 23 Montgomery street, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council chamber on the third Tuesday in April instant, at 7½ o'clock, P. M, to consider said assessment and to receive and consider all objections to such assessment which may be presented in writing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on Streets to whom was referred March 15, 1859, the petition of the heirs of J. B. Coles, and Thomas Carey for permission to improve South Second street between the centre line of Monmouth street and Newark avenue at their own expense presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to the Heirs of J. B. Coles they being the owners of all the lots fronting on South Second street between the centre line of Monmouth street and Newark avenue, to improve at their own expense,

but under the direction of the Street Commissioner and Committee on Streets, that portion of South Second street between the points indicated herein, the Committee on Streets to have power to appoint a Superintendent if considered necessary.

The repoet was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee en Streets to whom was referred February 15, 1859, the petition E. B. Wakeman, to have portions of South 6th, South 7th and Colgate street, improved by filling, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance providing that South Sixth street from the westerly side of Brunswick street to the easterly side of Merseles street and Colgate street between South Sixth and South Seventh streets, including intersections and South Seventh street from a point one hundred feet west of Brunswick street to the westerly side of Colgate street be respectively filled in three feet.

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

On motion of Alderman Van Vorst it was Resolved, That the resolution passed March 15, 1859, directing the committee on Finance to issue a bond to Noah D. Taylor for eighteen hundred and twenty five dollars, be rescinded.

Alderman McLaughlin, from the committee on Fire and Water, to whom was referred March 1st, 1859, the communication from Noah *D.* Taylor asking that a bond for $2,000 may be issued to him for an amount of loan for erection of Engine House No. 1, returned the same and presented the following resolution in relation thereto:

Resolved, That the committee on Finance be requested to issue a bond of this city, payable in fifteen years, with interest ar the rate of six per cent. per annum, to Noah D. Taylor for eighteen hundred and twenty-five dollars in full, for monies advanced for the erection of Engine House No. 1, and that his Honor the Mayor nnd City Clerk be requested to sign the same under the corporate seal of the city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, and Wickware.

Nay—Alderman Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown, and Voorhies.

The Committee on Public Grounds aud Buildings presented a report in relation to the purchase of lots on which to erect a Station House. Bell Tower, &c., stating that the purchase of the lots on Newark avenue and Gregory street is completed, that the title is perfect in the city and the deed for said lots has been placed in the County Clerk's office, for recording; that the bonds for the payment of the purchase money have been issued and the terms of the resolution passed October 12, 1858, and approved October 16, 1858, providing for such purchase have been fully complied with and completed in all respecss. The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings who were instructed by resolution passed March 15, 1859, to readvertise for proposals for the building of a city prison, Station house and Bell-tower presented a report submitting 8 sealed proposals for the contract and recommending that they be opened and read. The report was received and adopted.

The proposals were opened, read and found to be from—Hugh McComb, Keeney & Halladay, James McLaughlin, John J. Hill, Hunt & Armstrong, William Powell, William H. Bumstead and James McLaughlin.

The proposals were referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The committee on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a report in relation to the Public School House lots in the Third ward accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be authorized to sell four lots of ground belonging to the city located on Bright street at a price not less than fifteen hundred dollars each and to purchase three lots 25x100 each on Jersey avenue or elsewhere at a price not exceeding twenty six hundred and fifty dollars each. The report was received and the resolution laid upon table.

Tde committee on Public Health to whom was referred March 15, 1859, the petition of H C Barlow and others complaining of Thomas Kelley's cow stables, corner of Monmouth and South 5th streets, as a nuisance, presented a report setting for that the committee are of opinion that the stables in question are not a nuisance, and the prayer of the petitioners should not be granted. The report was received and adopted.

The committee on Public Health presented a report submitting the following entitled ordinance drawn by the corporation Attorney in relation to the abatement of nuisances, viz;

"An ordinance amendatory of an ordinance entitled "an ordinance declaring nuisances" passed notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor, July 15, 1856. The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The committee on Public Health to whom was referred March 15, 1859, the petition of J. B. Drayton and others for the abatement of a nuisance consisting of vacant lots on the south side of Montgomery street, west of Henderson street which are a receptacle for filth, garbage, &c., presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the street commisioner is hereby directed to notify the owner or owners of the vacant lots in Montgomery street on the south side west of Henderson street to fill up the said lots twelve inches, and to fence the same all around them, so as to abate the nuisance created by them, and that in case of neglect or refusal on the part of such owners or owners, that the Street commissioner under the advisement of the corporation Attorney, is hereby instructed to take all legal steps requisite to enforce the requirements of this resolution.

The report was received, and on motion of Alderman Van Vorst the resolution was amended by striking out the word "twelve" and inserting the word "eighteen" and as amended was adopted.

The followieg entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman W. R. Brown and laid upon the table, viz:

"A further supplement to an ordinance entitled an ordinance declaring nuisances, passed June 19, 1856.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman W. R. Brown and laid upon the table. viz:

"An ordinance amendatory to an ordinance approved March 25, 1858, entitled "An ordinance for the regulation of shows and circuses.

Alderman Van Vorst offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the report of the Collector of Arrears of Taxes of the names of persons and the amount due from them respectively for personal taxes for years 1857 and 1858 be published under the direction of the Committee on Finance in both the Jersey City papers for the space of thirty days, from the 1st day of May, 1859.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the resolution was amended by striking out the word "thirty" and inserting in its place the word "fifteen,"

The resolution as amended was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Van Vorst, Erwin, and W.R. Brown.

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, McLaughlin and Van Vorst.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, and Wickware.

Absent—Alderman Voorhies.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the resignation, presented and laid upon the table March 15th, 1859, of Charles Fink, as Water Commissioner, to take effect April 11th, was taken from the table, and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the resignation be not accepted, but be returned to Mr. Fink.

Alderman Hardenbergh returned the claim of William B. Dunning, referred to the Committee on Finance, September 1st, 1857, amounting to $5.00, and presented the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved, That a warrant for five dollars be drawn in favor of William B. Dunning for advertising Mayor's Proclamation in 1857, said claim not having been before reported.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be and are hereby authorized to purchase one dozen Patent Worm Killers of Stephenson & Annnes, at a cost not to exceed one dollar each, and that the said Committee be requested to test the utility of said Worm Killers, on some of the trees in our Public squares.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Tilden, and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be and are hereby authorised to repair and raise the roof of the house now occupied by Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Earle, and rejected :

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be authorized to cause new crosswalks to be laid on the crossings of Washington and Grand streets, where they intersect each other, provided the expense does not exceed twenty cents per foot.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh, and adopted :

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to draw a warrant to the order of the Water Commissioners for such amounts as are in the hands of the City Treasurer, belonging to said Water Commissoners.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Wickware, and rejected :

Resolved, That one or more persons be appointed by this Common Council to visit every owner of property on the line of the proposed city railroads, to ascertain their views in regard to said tracts being laid through said streets, and make a report of the same to this Common Council, and that the expenses incurred be borne by an assessment upon those calling for the construction of these roads.

On motion of Alderman Hankins, it was

Resolved, That the aldermen from the Fourth ward be constituted a committee, with authority to lay out walks and set out trees in Hamilton square, provided the same be done in conformity with the plan of said square, on file in the City Clerk's office, and at an expense not to exceed the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh, and adopted :

Whereas, At a previous meeting of this Board, John D. Thompson was elected a Judge of Election for the Second ward, and, whereas, there is no such person living in the Second ward ; therefore, be it resolved, that the action of the Common Council appointing John D. Thompson a Judge of Election in the Second ward be, and the same is hereby rescinded.

On motion of Alderman Hardenberg, it was unanimously

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended, to enable the Board to appoint, *viva voce*, a Judge of Election for the Second ward.

Whereupon on his motion, John W. Thompson was unanimously appointed Judge of Election for the Second ward.

On motion of Alderman Clarke, the report and the following resolution, presented by the Committee on Assessments, February 15th, 1859, relative to the assessment on property of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, for the improvement of Warren street in 1853, were taken up for consideration, viz :

Resolved, That the proposition of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company to make a full settlement of the claim against their property in Warren street, between Mercer and Wayne streets, for earth filling put upon the same in 1853, and for which an assessment was made thereon and confirmed March 1st, 1853, which assesameet so far as S. W. Smith's property embraced in the assessment for the filling of said street has been set aside, and a re-assessment made by new Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court of New Jersey, and confirmed by the Corporation of Jersey City be accepted, inasmuch as litigation would thus be avoided and a fair and equitable settlement of the whole matter be made between the City and the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company ; and that on payment into the City Treasury by the said Company of the sum of two hundred and seventy-five dollars and sixty-seven cents, that being the sum named in the proposition, it shall be considered a full payment of the assessment made in 1853 upon the property of said company in Warren street, between Mercer and Wayne streets, for earth filling and that upon the filling in the City Clerk's office of a certificate by the City Treasurer that said amount has been paid to him, the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cancel of record the sale made to the City Treasurer by the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City on the 11th August, 1854, of the " whole face of block" 34 in Warren street, assessed to N. J. R. R. and Transportation Company for the assessment thereon for filling Warren street, between Montgomery and Morgan streets.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of the President

Yeas—Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Erwin and McBride.

Nays—President Thurston, and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Earl, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst and Wickware.

Absent—Aldermen J. M. Brown and Voorhies.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the Board then adjourned

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

BOARD OF CITY CANVASSERS.

In compliance with the Provisions of the Charter of Jersey City, the Board of City Canvassers met at the Common Council Chamber, on Friday, the fifteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty nine, at five o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of Canvassing the returns of the Charter Election, held on the twelfth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine.

The Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present.—Alderman W R.Brown, Clarke, Earle, McBride Thurston, Tilden, and Van Vorst and George W. Cassedy, City Clerk.

The following named Judges of Election from the several Wards of the City, appeared, and took their seats as members of the Board, viz.:

Phineas C. Dummer, from the Frst Ward.

James Lynch, from the Second Ward.

Hugh Keenan, from the Third Ward.

R. Skinner Tilden, from the Fourth Ward.

Alderman McLaughlin was absent from the meeting.

On motion of Alderman Clarke, Alderman Van Vorst was appointed Chairman of the Board.

The Chirman administered to each of the other members of the Board, and to the City Clerk, the oaths required of them by the City Charter, and Alderman Clarke administered to the Chairman of the Board the oath required of him by the City Charter.

Whereupon the Judges of Election produced the original statement which had been delivered to them respectively, and laid the same before the Board.

The returns were read.

The Board then proceeded to ascertain from the said original statements, the votes given at the Charter Election on the twelfth instant, for the persons voted for thereat for the several officers mentioned in such statements.

The Board then made a writt n statement of the whole number of votes given for the officers elected for the City, and the several Wards thereof, together with the names of persons for whom such votes were given, and the number of votes given for each as required by the provisions of the City Charter.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, it was Resolved, That. the votes cast in the Fourth Ward for Sam Hoffman, S. M. Hoffman, Samuel Hoffman, Sam. M. Hoffman, and S. Hoffman, for Alderman, be given to Samuel M. Hoffman, as they were evidently intended for him; and that the vote cast in the Fourth Ward for J. Van Vorst for Alderman, be given to John Van Vorst, as it was evidently intended for that gentleman.

The Board then proceeded upon the above mentioned statement, to determine, and they declared what person or persons had received the highest number of votes for each of offices mentioned in such statement; which statement and final declaration of the Board of City Canvassers was certified by the Chairman and Clerk of the Board, and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

On motion of A derman Tilden, it was Resolved, That the statement and final declaration, made by this Board of City Canvassers, of the result of the Charter Election, held in Jersey city, on Tuesday, the 12th day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, be publisheed in both of the papers of ersey city.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, it was Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be directed to make out and present to the Common Council for payment the claim of this Board for services as city canvassers

On motion of Alderman Clarke, the Board of City Canvasssers then adjourned, *sine die*.

GEO. W. CASSEDY,
Clerk of the Board of City Canvassers.

A STATEMENT.

Of the result of an election held in Jersey City, in the County of Hudson, and State of New Jersey, on Tuesday the Twelfth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, to elect city and ward officers, made by the Board of City Canvassers for said city.

Whole number of votes cast in the Frst ward five hundred and eleven 511

Whole number of votes cast in the Second ward five hundred and twenty-nine 529

hole number of votes cast in the Third ward eight Whundred and twenty-two 822

Whole number of votes cast in the Fourth ward seven hundred and fifty-five 755

Whole number of votes cast in the city two thousand six hundred and seventeen. 2617

Number of ballots rejected in the First ward five 5

Number of ballots rejected in the Second ward three 3

Number of ballots rejected in the Third ward eight 8

Number of ballots rejected in the Fourth ward eight 8

Whole number of ballots rejected in the city nineteen 19

FOR CITY OFFICERS,

For Mayor,

Dudley S. Gregory received in the First ward four hundred and three 403 votes

Dudley S. Gregory received in the Second ward three hundred and eight 308 votes

Dudley S. Gregory received in the Third ward four hundred and thirty six 4 6 votes

Dudley S. Gregory received in the Fourth ward three hundred and thirty-six 336 votes

Total—Fourteen hundred and eighty three 1483 votes

Cornelius V. Traphagen received in the First ward seventy eight 78 votes

Cornelius V. Traphagen received in the Second ward one hundred and ninety-seven 197 votes

Cornelius V. Traphagen received in the Third ward three hundred and sixty-four 364 votes

Cornelius V. Traphagen received in the Fourth ward three hundred and eighty-five 385 votes

Total—One thousand and t enty-four 1024 votes

. S. Gregory received in the First ward twelve 12 votes

D. S. Gregory received in the Second ward four 4 votes

Cornelius Traphagen received in the Second ward 1 1 vote

Traphagen received in the Second ward one 1 vote

John G. Haybeck received in the Second ward 1 1 vote

A. K. Brown received in the Second ward 1 1 vote

William Lunning received in the Second ward 1 1 vote

John Van Vorst received in the Second ward 1 1 vote

D. S. Gregory received in the Third ward 1 1 vote

D. S. G. received in the Third ward 2 1 votes

Charles Fink received in the Third ward one 1 vote

William J. Stitt received in the Third ward one 1 vote

C. V. Traphagen received in the Third ward one 1 vote

William D. Slown received in the Third ward one 1 vote

C. V. Traphagen received in the Fourth ward seven 7 votes

Cornelius Traphagen received in the Fourth ward six 6 votes

D S. Gregory received in the Fourth ward six 6 votes

Total scattering votes forty-eight 48 votes

For Water Commissioner.

William Birkbeck received in the First ward four hundred and two 402 votes

William Birkbeck received in the Second ward three hundred and sixty-six 366 votes

William Birkbeck received in the Third ward four hundred and eighty-seven 487 votes

William Birbeck received in the Fourth ward four hundred and seven 407 votes

Total one thousand six hundred and sixty-two 1662 votes

Ephraim Pray received in the First ward eighty, three 83 votes

Ephraim Pray received in the Second ward one hundred and forty-four 144 votes

Epraim Pray received in the Third ward three hundred and three 303 votes

Ephraim Pray received in the Fourth ward three hundred and fifteen. 315 votes

Total—Eight hundred and forty-five 845 votes

W. Birkbeck received in the First ward two 2 votes

Henry Steele received in the First ward one 1 vote

Henry Steele received in the Second ward one 1 vote

George C. White received in the Second ward one 1 vote

Mike Mullone received in the Second ward one 1 vote

E Pray received in the Third ward two 2 votes

D. S. Manners received in the Third ward one 1 vote

W. Birkbeck received in the Fourth ward one 1 vote.

William Birk received in the Fourth ward one 1 vote

E. Pray received in the Fourth ward two 2 votes

Total scattering votes thirteen 13 votes

For School Superintendent.

Abram S. Jewell received in the First ward four hundred and ninety-four 494 votes

Abram S. Jewell received in the Second ward five hundred and two 502 votes
Abram S. Jewell received in the Third ward seven huudred and eighty three 783 votes
Abram S. Jewell received in the Fourth ward six hundred and thirty 630 votes
Total—Two thousand four hundred and thirteen 2313 vote
William L. Dickinson received in the Second ward six 6 vote
William L. Dickinson received in the Third ward ward five 5 votes
William L. Dickinson received in the Fourth ward seventy-five 75 votes
Total eighty-six 86 votes
William A. Dickerson received in the First ward two 2 votes
Peggy received in the First ward ward one 1 vote
Patrick Lee received in the Second ward one 1 vote
Edward Hope, Sen., received in the Second wardone 1 vote
Dudley S. Gregory received in the Third ward one 1 vote
William Verrinder received in the Third ward one 1 vote
Henry Wilson received in the Third ward one 1 vote
Doctor Condit received in the Third ward one 1 vote
James Ryder received in the Third ward one 1 vote
Jewell received in the Fourth ward one 1 vote
W. L. Dickenson received in the Fourth ward two 2 votes
C. A. Yerrington received in the Fourth ward eighteen 18 votes
Peggy Wilson received in the Fourth ward four 4 votes
Peter Wagner received in the Fourth ward one 1 vote
A Man in the Fourth ward one 1 vote
Total scattering votes thirty-seven 37 votes

For Assessors.

James Flemming received in the First ward three hundred and sixty two 362 votes
James Flemming received in the Second ward two hundred and eighty two 282 votes
James Flemming received in the Third ward four hundred 400 votes
James Flemming received in the Fourth ward three hundred and sixty-three 363 votes
Total—One thousand four hundred and seven 1407 votes
Stephen Quaife received in the First ward three hundred and sixty-six 366 votes
Stephen Quaife received in the Second ward two hundred and eighty-eight 288 votes
Stephen Quaife received in the Third ward four hundred and four 404 votes
Stephen Quaife received in the Fourth ward three hundred and eighty-four 384 votes
Total—One thousand four hundred and forty-two 1442 votes
Joseph Young received in the First ward one hundred and thirty-seven 137 votes
Joseph Young received in the Second ward two hundred and thirty one 231 votes
Joseph Young received in the Third ward four hundred and four 404 votes
Joseph Young received in the Fourth ward three hundred and seventy-one 371 votes
Total—One thousand one hundred and twenty-nine 1129 votes
Smith Mead received in the First ward one hundred and thirty-two 132 votes
Smith Mead received in the Second ward two hundred and twenty-three 223 votes
Smith Mead received in the Third ward four hundred and fourteen 414 votes
Smith Mead received in the Fourth ward three hundred and fifty-seven 357 votes
Total—One thousand one hundred and twenty-six 1126 votes
James Young received in the First ward one 1 vote
Crazy Lutkins received in the Third ward one 1 vote
S. Quaife received in the Third ward one 1 vote
S. Quaife received in the Fourth ward one 1 vote
Jos. Young received in the Fourth ward one 1 vote
Mead received in the Fourth ward one 1 vote
Total scattering votes six 6 votes

For Collector.

Lincoln Bates received in the First ward one hundred and ninety-four 194 votes
Lincoln Bates received in the Second ward ninety-three 93 votes
Lincoln Bates received in the Third ward one hundred and ninety five 195 votes
Lincoln Bates received in the Fourth ward three hundred and thirty-nine 339 votes
Total—Eight hundred and twenty-one 821 votes
John McGuigan received in the First ward one hundred and twelve 112 votes
John McGuigan received in the Second ward two hundred and sixty nine 269 votes
John McGuigan received in the Third ward three hundred and fifty-nine 359 votes
John McGuigan received in the Fourth ward two hundred and fifty-nine 259 votes
Total—Nine hundred and ninety-nine 999 votes
Lorenzo Jaquins received in the First ward one hundred and ninety-four 194 votes
Lorenzo Jaquins reeeived in the Second ward one hundred and fifty 150 votes
Lorenzo Jaquins received in the Third ward two hundred and fifty-three 253 votes
Lorenzo Jaquins received in the Fourth ward one hundred and forty-one 141 votes
Total—Seven hundred and thirty-eight 738 votes
John B. Haight received in the First ward one 1 vote
Bates received in the Second ward one 1 vote
George Miller received in the Second ward one 1 vote
Alonzo Jaquins received in the Fourth ward one 1 vote
John B. Haight received in the Fourth ward one 1 vote
Noah D. Taylor received in the Fourth ward one 1 vote
Total scattering votes six 6 votes

FOR WARD OFFICERS.

FIRST WARD.

For Aldermen.

James L. Ogden received three hundred and fifty-one 351 votes
J. Logden received one 1 vote
Ogden received one 1 vote
Thomas B. Decker received four hundred and seventeen 417 votes
Decker received one 1 vote
J. L. Ogden received one 1 vote
William Voorhies received one hundred and thirty-two 132 votes
Theodore F. Randolph received sixty two 62 votes
Joseph G. Edge received three 3 votes
Augustus A. Hardenberg received three 3 votes
Thomas D. Christie received two 2 votes
Samuel M. Hoffman received two 2 votes
Thomas Gainey received two 2 votes
William H. Jeliff received two 2 votes
Charles M Hankins received two 2 votes
James Warner received two 2 votes
J. B. Rae received one 1 vote
Thomas received one 1 vote
Melinethan S. Wickware received two 2 votes
John Van Vorst received two 2 votes

For Chosen Freeholder.

Ai Fitch received three hundred and sixty 360 votes
Francis Stoveken received one hundred and twenty seven 127 votes
Alexander Wilson received three 3 votes
Harvey M. Soule received two 2 votes
Patrick Coyle received two 2 votes
James F. Fielder received two 2 votes
Robert C. Barnet received two 2 votes

For Commissioner of Appeals.

Phineas C. Dummer received three hundred and sixty four 364 votes
Samuel Bridgart received one hundred hand twenty six 126 votes
Isaac Edge received three 3 votes
Hiram D. Crane received two 2 votes
Samuel A. French received two 2 votes
John Chilver received two 2 votes
Sylvester Koeney received two 2 votes

For Judges of Election

Phineas C. Dummer received three hundred and sixty-three 363 votes
Luke C. Lyman received three hundred and sixty-two 362 votes
William H. Gautier received three hundred and sixty-two 362 votes

John S. Hoagland received one hundred and twenty five 125 votes
Louis M. Decamp received one hundred and twenty six 126 votes
Daniel S. Sinclair received one hundred and twenty six 126 votes
William J. Stevens received three 3 votes
James Lynch received three 3 votes
William Guttenger received three 3 votes
Henry T. Lee received two 2 votes
Isaac Housten received two 2 votes
R. Skinner Tilden received two 2 votes
James Lynch received one 1 vote
Robert B. Kashow received two 2 votes
Michal C Smith received two 2 votes
George Oliver received two 2 votes
William Bumsted received two 2 votes
John Metz received two 2 votes
William Howeth received two 2 votes
Michael McKearan received two 2 votes
T. Fraser received one 1 vote
Tim Clyde received one 1 vote
Cornelius T. Fraser received one 1 vote
Sloop Tyler received one 1 vote
Sloop Eliza received one 1 vote
Schooner Vulcan received one 1 vote

For Ward Clerk.

David W. Stone received three hundred and sixty-three 363 votes
William D. A. Daly received one hundred and twen y five 125 votes
Adrian D. Reynolds received three 3 votes
David G. Christie received two 2 votes
Albert G. Frink received two 2 votes
Wm. I. Van Riper received two 2 votes
Michael Carey received one 1 vote
Edward Andrews received two 2 votes

For Constables.

Chancellor W. Chase received three hundred and fifty-seven 357 votes
Jonathan H Baldwin received one hundred and twenty-seven 127 votes
J. H. Baldwin received one 1 vote
William Reen received one hundred and twenty-one 121 votes
Wm. Reen received one 1 vote
C. W. Chase received two 2 votes
Dennis Farrel received three 3 votes
James Wakefield received three 3 votes
James B. Dunn received two 2 votes
James A. Robertson received two 2 votes
John G. Haybeck received two 2 votes
Robert Gamble received two 2 votes
Henrey Amsden received two 2 votes
Philo Snow received two 2 votes
John Thomson received two 2 votes
James Ryder received two 2 votes
H. Baldwin received one 1 vote

For Surveyors of Highways.

Charles R. Dusenburry received three hundred and sixty-two 362 votes
Andrew Clerk received three hundred and sixty-two 362 votes
John Cannon received one hundred and twenty-two 122 votes
Charles Somers received one hundred and twenty-three 123 votes
William H. Noland received three 3 votes
Bernard Hughs received two 2 votes
Peter H. Wood received two 2 votes
John Drayton received two 2 votes
Rufus Terry received two 2 votes
Michael Malone received two 2 votes
Isaac Van Saun received two 2 votes
Edward Gough received two 2 votes
Michael Lynch received two 3 votes
Gerson received three 3 votes

For Justice of the Peace.

David Taylor received three hundred and fifty-seven 357 votes
Lincoln Bates received two 2 votes
John J. Bouter received two 2 votes
David Jones received two 2 votes
Samuel C. McLaughlin received two 2 votes
Joseph Kasam received two 2 votes
John Flagra received two 2 votes
James S. Hutton received two 2 votes
Phelom D. Haight received two 2 votes
John N. Fiacre received one 1 vote
Patrick Martin received two 2 votes
Bernard Hughs received two 2 votes
James R. Tilly received one 1 vote

For Pound Keeper.

John Y. Smith received three hundred and sixty 360 votes
John Fallon received one hundred and twenty four 124 votes
John A. Brown received three 3 votes
Peter Wagner received two 2 votes
David Smith received one 1 vote
Henry White received two 2 votes
James Cash received one 1 vote
Patrick Nowland received two 2 votes
James J. Bouden received one 1 vote
Frank I Vanderbeck received one 1 vote

SECOND WARD.

For Aldermen.

Thomas Gafney received one hundred and ninety-two 192 votes
William H. Jelliffe received onh hundred and seventy 170 votes
Joseph G Edge received three hundred and three 303 votes
Augustus A. Hardenbergh received three hundred and twenty-one 321 votes
Augusta Hardenburgh received one 1 vote
Hardenburgh received two 2 votes
E. Hardenburgh received four 4 votes
Augustus Hardenburgh received one 1 vote
A. Hardenburgh received two 2 votes
A. A. Hardenburgh received one 1 vote
W. H. Jelliffe received two 2 votes
J. G. Edge received two 2 votes
Joseph A. Edge received one 1 vote
Joseph Edge received one 1 vote
T. Gaffany received one 1 vote
James L. Ogden received four 4 votes
Thomas B Decker received four 4 votes
W. Jelliffe received two 2 votes

For Chosen Freeholder.

Patrick Coyle received two hundred and fourteen 214 votes
Alexander Wilson received two hundred and eighty seven 287 votes
Patt Coyle received three 3 votes
A. I Fitch received four 4 votes
William Mollett received one 1 vote
John H. Lyon received three 3 votes
L. Bates received one 1 vote

For Commissioner of Appeals.

Isaac Edge received three hundred and nineteen 319 votes
Samuel A. French received one hundred and eighty seven 187 votes
P. C. Dummer received four 4 votes
S. A. French received one 1 vote
Thomas Gafney received one 1 vote

For Judges of Election

James Lynch received four hundred and seventy-three 473 vote
Robert B. Kashow received one hundred and ninety one 191 votes
Michael C. Smith received one hundred and eighty three 183 votes
William J. Stevans received two hundred and eleven 211 votes
William Stephens received one hundred and fifteen 115 votes
William Guttenger received three hundred and nineteen 319 votes
W. F Stephens received two 2 votes
P. C. Dummer received four 4 votes
Luke C. Lyman received four 4 votes
W. H. Gautier received four 4 votes

For Ward Clerk.

Adrian B. Reynolds received three hundred and twenty-four 324 votes
Albert G Frink received one hundred and eighty-eight 188 votes
David W. Stone received four 4 votes
Adrian Reynolds received one 1 vote
Andrew Clerk received four 4 votes

For Constables.

John G. Haybeck received one hundred and eighty two 182 votes
Robert Gamble received one hundred and sixty four 164 votes
Dennis Farrell received three hundred and eleven 311 votes
James Wakefield received three hundred and twenty-four 324 votes
J. Haybeck received one 1 vote
D. Farrell received one 1 vote
Charles W. Chase received four 4 votes
J. G. Haybeck received two 2 votes
J. Wakefield received one 1 vote

For Surveyors of Highways.

John Drayton received one hundred and eighty-six 186 votes
Michael Mullons received one hundred and seventy eight 178 votes
William H. Nolan received three hundred and twenty two 322 votes
Moretz Gerson received three hundred and twenty 320 votes
Charles R. Dusenbury received four 4 votes
J. Drayton received one 1 vote

For Justice of the Peace.

Samuel C. McLaughlin received one hundred and eighty-three 183 votes
Lafin Jack received one 1 vote
David Taylor received four 4 votes
John Fallon received one 1 vote

For Pound Keeper.

JohnY. Smith received one hundred and eighty-five 185 votes
John Y. Brown received one hundred and fourteen 114 votes
John A. Brown received two hundred and one 201 votes
C. V. Traphagan received one 1 vote
James Smith received two 2 votes
James O. Brine received one 1 vote
William H. Jellieff received two 2 votes
Moritz Gerson received one 1 vote
E. Pray received one 1 vote
Mike the Tinker received one 1 vote
One blank cast 1 vote

THIRD WARD.

For Aldermen.

Charles M. Hankins received four hundred and forty two 442 votes
James Warner received four hundred and ten 410 votes
Samuel McLaughlin received three hundred and fifty four 354 votes
William L. Broking received three hundred and fifty three 353 votes
Robert J. C. Leake received forty 40 votes
S. McLaughlin received one 1 vote
William Broking received one 1 vote
Joseph G. Edge received one 1 vote
Augustus A. Hardenberg received one 1 vote
Thomas D. Christie received one 1 vote
Samuel Hoffman received one 1 vote
Bernard McAnally received one 1 vote
Patrick Doyle received one 1 vote
Wm. C. Leake received one 1 vote
Thomas Gafney received one 1 vote
Wm. H. Jelliffe received one 1 vote

For Chosen Freeholder.

James F. Fielder received four hundred and sixty-five 465 votes
George McLaughlin received three hundred and thirty-five 335 votes
Ephraim Pray received one 1 vote
Harvey M. Soule received one 1 vote
Harvey Soule received one 1 vote
James Fielder received one 1 vote
Patrick Coyle received one 1 vote
Alexander Wilson received one 1 vote

For Commissioner of Appeals.

John Chilver received four hundred and seventeen 417 votes
Miles McCartin received three hunured and fifty-one 351 votes
Edmund Isbills received thirty-eight 38 votes
Samuel A. French received one 1 vote
Isaac Edge received one 1 vote
Hiram D. Crane received one 1 vote

For Judges of Election.

George Oliver received four hundred and twenty two 422 votes
William H. Bumstead received four hundred and fifteen 415 votes
John Metz received four hundred and twenty one 421 votes
William Murray received three hundsed and seventy nine 379 votes
George Links received three hundred and fifty-nine 359 votes
Bernard McGuigan received three hundred and fifty one 351 votes
John English received thirty seven 37 votes
James Herbert received thirty-seven 37 votes
John McCarty received one 1 vote
Wm. J. Stevens received one 1 vote
James Lynch received one 1 vote
Wm. Guttinger received one 1 vate
Robert B. Kashow received one 1 vote
M. C Smith received one 1 vote
Henry T. Lee received one 1 vote
R. S. Tilden received one 1 vote
I. Houston received one 1 vote
Oliver Johnson received one 1 vote

For Ward Clerk.

William T. Van Riper received four hundred and fourteen 414 votes
Michael Kennedy received three nundred and fifty-two 352 votes
Thomas Rreen received thirty-seven 37 votes
Adrain B. Reyeolds received one 1 vote
Albert G. Frink received one 1 vote
David G. Christie received one 1 vote
John J. Hill received one 1 vote
Chris the Barber received one 1 vote

For Constables.

Henry Amsden received four hundred and one 401 votes
Philo Snow received four hundred and one 401 votes
John Travers received three hundre l and sixty-five 365 votes
Bernard McAnally received three hundred and seventy-four 374 votes
James H. James received thirty-two 32 votes
Robert Gamble received one 1 vote
John G. Haybeck received one 1 vote
Jas B. Dennn received one 1 uote
Jas. Robertson received one 1 vote
Dennis Farrell received one 1 vote
James Wakefield received one 1 vote
C. W. Chase received one 1 vote
Patrick Moloney received one 1 vote
B. McAnally received one 1 vote
McAunally received one 1 vote
P. Snow received one 1 vote

For Surveyors of Highways.

Rufus K. Terry received four hundred and twenty 420 votes
Isaac Van Saun received four hundred and twenty-one 421 votes
John Coar received three hundred and eighty six 386 votes
John Craven received three hundred and eighty-two 382 votes
John Drayton received one 1 vote
Michael Mulone received one 1 vote
Wm. H. Nolan received one 1 vote
Morris Gherson received one 1 vote
Bernard Hughes received one 1 vote
Peter H. Wood received one 1 vote

For Justices of the Peace

Joseph Kissum received four hundred and twenty-three 423 votes
James S. Hutton received four hundred and eighteen 418 votes
John N. Fiacre received four hundred and twelve 412 votes
Philemon D. Haight received four hundred and forty three 443 votes
Peter N. Horsley received three hundred and fifty-five 355 votes
James O. Rourke received three hundred and sixty-two 362 votes
Peter Doyle received three hundred and twenty-seven 327 votes
John Dorin received thirty-four 34 votes

John Garrick received thirty-six 36 votes
Isaac Van Saun received one 2 votes
John P. Van Doren received one 1 vote
Lincoln Bates eeceiven two 2 votes
John J. Bouton received one 1 vote
David Stone received one 1 vote
S. C. McLaughlin received one 1 vote

For Pound Keeper.

Henry White received four hundred and thirteen 413 votes
William McCarty recived three hundred and seventy-six 376 vates
John A. Brown received one 1 vote
Peter Waggoner received one 1 vote
Miles McCarty received one 1 vote
Lincoln Bates received one 1 vote
Patrick Nolan received one 1 vote
Abram S. Jewell received two 2 votes
Peter N. Horsley received one 1 vote
James F. Fielder reccived one 1 vote
P. N. Horsley received one 1 vote
J. McGugan received one 1 vote
Martin White received one 1 vote
Wm. G. Murray received one 1 vote
John Y. Smith received one 1 vote

FOUTH WARD.

For Aldermen.

Thomas D. Christie received four hundred and seventeen 417 votes
Samuel M. Hoffman received three hundred and fifty-six 356 votes
John Van Vorst received three hundred and sixty-two 362 vote
Melancthon S. Wickware received thee hundred and nine 309 votes
T. D. Christie received three 3 votes
Sam Hoffman received one 1 vote
S. M. Hoffman received three 3 votes
Samuel Hoffman received one 1 vote
Sam. M. Hoffman received one 1 vote
S. Hoffman received two 2 votes
J. Van Vorst received one 1 vote
M. S. Wickware received eight 8 votes
Melancthon S. received one 1 vote
Wickware received one 1 vote
Jas. L Ogden received one 1 vote
Thos B. Decker received one 1 vote
Joseph G. Edge received one 1 vote
Agustus A. Hardenburgh received one 1 vote
Charles M. Harkins received one 1 vote
James Warner received one 1 vote

For Chosen Freeholder.

Robert C. Bacot received three hundred and twelve 312 votes
Harvey M. Soule received four hundred and twenty-five 425 votes
R. C. Bacot received one 1 vote
A. J. Fitch received one 1 vote
Alexander Wilson received one 1 vote
Jas. F. Fielder received one 1 vote

For Commissioner of Appeals.

Hiram D.Crane received three hundred and seventy-nine 379 votes
Sylvester Keeney received three hundred and fifty-six 356 votes
Phineas C. Duninier received one 1 vote
Isaac Edge received one 1 vote
John Chilver received one 1 vote

For Judges of Elcction.

R. Skinner Fielder received four hundred and twenty-two 422 votes
Isaac Houston received three hundred and ninety-one 391 votes
Henry T. Lee received three hundred and eighty-five 385 votes
Cornelius T. Frazyer received three hundred and forty-six 346 votes
William Howeth received three hundred and ten 310 votes
Michael McKeon received two hundred and ninety-eight 298 votes
R S. Fielder received one 1 vote
W Howeth received one 1 vote
Phineas C. Durnnier received one 1 vote
Luke C. Lyman received one 1 vote
William H Guatier received one 1 vote
William D. Stephens received one 1 vote
James Lynch received one 1 vote
George Olwer received one 1 vote
William H. Bumstead received one 1 vote
John Metz received one 1 vote

For Ward Clerk.

David G.Christie received four hundred and twenty-three 423 votes
Edwred Andrews received three hundred and twelve 312 votes
David D. Christie received seven 7 votes
Clarkson Drake received one 1 vote
David W Stone received one 1 vote
Adrian B. Reynolds received one 1 vote
William J. Van Ryper received one 1 vote

For Constables.

James A. Robertson received four hundred and twenty-two 422 votes
James B. Dunn received four hundred and ten 410 votes
John D. Thompson received three hundred and sixteen 316 votes
James Riely received three hundred 300 votes
J D. Thompson received four 4 votes
John Thompson received one 1 vote
J. Thompson received one 1 vote
David Gould received one 1 vote
Thompson received one 1 vote
Chancellor W. Chase received one 1 vote
Dennis Farrel received one 1 vote
James Wakefield received one 1 vote
Henry Amsden received one 1 vote
Philo Snow received one 1 vote

For Surveyor of Highways.

Peter H. Wood recived four hundred and twenty-nine 429 votes
Bernard Hughes received four hundred and twenty-eight 428 votes
Edward Gough received three hundred and three 303 votes
Michael Lynch received three hundred and two 302 vote
P. H. Wood received one 1 vote
Charles R Dusenbury received one 1 vote
Andrew Clerk received one 1 vote
William H. Nolan received one 1 vote
Maurity Gerson received one 1 vote
Rufus R. Terry received one 1 vote
Isaac Van Saun received one 1 vote

For Justices of the Peace.

David Jones received three hundred and eighty five 385 votes
Lincoln Bates received three hundred and eighty three 383 votes
John J. Bouton received three hundred and sixty-nine 369 votes
Patrick Martin received three hundred and two 302 votes
Bernard Hughes received three hundred and seven 307 votes
Sinclair Bates received forty-one 41 votes
Peter H. Wood received forty-two 42 votes
J B. D. received one 1 vote
John J received one 1 vote
David Taylor received one 1 vote
Joseph Kissam received one 1 vote
John Fiacre received one 1 vote
Jas Hutton received one 1 vote
Phelemn D, Haight received one 1 vote

Pound Keeper.

Peter Waggoner receved four hundred and sixteen 416 votes
Patrick Nolan received two hundred and sixty-eight 268 votes
Thomas Griffiths received twenty-nine 29 votes
P. Waggoner received four 4 votes
Waggoner received one 1 vote
Beter Waggoner received one 1 vote
P. Nolan received one 1 vote
Lincoln Bates received one 1 vote
Sam Mayer received one 1 vote
Abram S. Jewell received two 2 votes
Peter Wagn received one 1 vote
Samuel M. Hoffman received one 1 vote
Dudley S. Gregory received one 1 vote
John Y Smith received one 1 vote
Peter Dolan received one 1 vote
Mickey Free received one 1 vote
John A Brown received one 1 vote
Henry White received one 1 vote

We do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and correct statement of the result of the election above mentioned as the same is exhibited by the statements produced and laid before the Board of City Canvassers according to law; and that the same exhibits the number of the names of the votes in the poll books of the wards respectively, and of the ballots rejected; the whole number of the names of the voters in the poll books of the several wards; the name of each person for whom any vote or votes were given; the number of votes given for each person in each ward and the whole number of votes given for each person for each office designated for him; as they appear by the statements so produced and laid before the board.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this fifteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine.

CORNELIUS VAN VORST,
Chairman of Board of City Canvassers.

GEO. W. CASSEDY,
Clerk of Board of City Canvassers.

A STATEMENT

Of the determination of the Board of City Canvassers, relative to an election held in Jersey City, in the County of Hudson and State of New Jersey on the twelfth (12th) day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine (1859) for the election of a *Mayor*, a *Water Commissioner*, a *School Superintendent*, a *Collector*, and two *Assessors* for the said city; and of two *Aldermen*, one *Chosen Freeholder*, one *Commissioner of Appeals*, three *Judges of Election*, two *Surveyors of the Highways*, one *Ward Clerk*, two *Constables* and one *Pound Keeper* for each of the several wards in the said city.

The said Board do determine and declare that at the said election the following named persons having received the highest number of votes for each of the offices above mentioned were duly elected to the following named offices.

CITY OFFICERS,

Mayor—Dudley S. Gregory.
Water Commissioner—William Birkbeck.
School Superintendent—Abram S. Jewell.
Collector—John McGuigan.
Assessors—James Flemming and Stephen Quaife.

FIRST WARD OFFICERS,

Aldermen—James L. Ogden and Thomas B. Decker.
Chosen Freeholder—Ai Fitch.
Commissioner of Appeals—Phineas C. Dummer.
Judges of Election—Phineas C. Dummer, Luke C. Lyman and William H. Gautier.
Ward Clerk—David W. Stone.
Constables—Chancellor W. Chase and Jonathan H. Baldwin.
surveyors of the Highways—Charles R. Dusemberry and Andrew Clerk.
Pound Keeper—John Y. Smith.

SECOND WARD OFFICERS,

Aldermen—Augustus A. Hardenbergh and Joseph G. Edge.
Chosen Freeholder—Alexander Wilson.
Commissioner of Appeals—Isaac Edge.
Judges of Election—James Lynch, William Guttinger and William J. Stevens.
Ward Clerk—Adrain B. Reynolds.
Constables—Dennis Farrell and James Wakefield.
Surveyor of the Highways—William H. Nolan and Moritz Gerson.
Pound Keeper—John A. Brown.

THIRD WARD OFFICERS,

Aldermen—Charles M. Hankins and James Warner.
Chosen Freeholder—James F. Fielder.
Commissioner of Appeals—John Chilver.
Judges of Election—George Oliver. William H. Bumstead and John Metz.
Ward Clerk—William T. Van Riper.
Constables—Henry Amsden and Philo Snow.
Surveyor of the Highways—Rufus K. Terry and Isaac S. Van Saun.
Pound Keeper—Henry White.

FOURTH WARD OFFICERS,

Aldermen—Thomas D. Christie and Samual M. Hoffman
Chosen Freeholder—Harvy M. Soule.
Commissioner of Appeals—Hiram D. Crane.
Judges of Electon—R. Skinner Tilden, Henry T. Lee, and Isaac Houston.
Ward Clerk—David G. Christie.
Constables—James A Robertson and James B. Dunn.
Surveyors of the Highways—Peter H. Wood and Bernard Hughes.
Pound Keeper—Peter Waggoner

We do certify that the foregoing is a true, full, and correct statement of the determination of the Board of City Canvassers therein mentioned.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this fifteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine

CORNELIUS VAN VORST,
Chairman of Board of City Canvassers
GEO. W. CASSEDY, Clerk of Board of City Canvassers.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, April 19, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, P. M

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 5, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Official bond of Chancellor W. Chase, as constable; with James F. Fielder and Thomas Royle as sureties. Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of William A. Fisher to be reinstated as a member of the Fire Department. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Thomas Royle and others, to have the sidewalk in front of lots 10 and 12, in block 3. as designated on Clerk & Bacot's map, refilled or repaired. Laid upon the table.

Communication from Terrence Beirne, stating that he is willing to deduct one hundred dollars from his bill for grading and embellishing Washington Square, etc. Laid upon the table.

Petition of A. F. Burlew and others, to have Newark ave. commencing at or near Monmouth street, paved, curbed, guttered, etc. Laid upon the table.

Petition of the Officers of Election of the Third and Fourth Wards, asking for additional compensation for services at late charter election. Laid upon the table.

Petition of D. S. Sinclair, asking for a stay of proceedings against the late Collector of Taxes, Samuel Sinclair.

Alderman Hardenbergh offered the following resolution in relation thereto, which was adopted:

Be it Resolved, That the prayer of the petition of D. S. Sinclair, relative to proceedings for the collection of the deficiencies of the late collector of taxes be granted, and that the City Attorney be requested to stay proceedings against his sureties for forty days.

Petition of Thomas Royle and others to have the sidewalk in front of lots 9, 11, 21 and 23, in block 2, as designated on Clerk & Bacot's map, flagged, curbed and guttered.—Laid upon the table.

Petition of Heirs of J. B Coles and others, owners of property fronting on South Sixth street, between Brunswick st. and the centre line of Mill Creek, to fill said street at their own expense. Laid upon the table.

Remonstrance of Robert C. Bacot against the confirmation of the assessment for the improvement of Morgan street, between Grove and Prospect streets. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Michael Mullone for the construction of a sewer in Greene street from Montgomery street, to connect with the Wayne street sewer, &c. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Rev. J. Kelly and others for an adjustment of taxes on property in the Fourth Ward, belonging to St. Mary's Church, used for church and school purposes. Laid upon the table.

Claims and accounts of Alexander Love for $4; Daily Telegraph, $107 60; and William Hughes & Co., $7 50, were presented, received and laid upon the table.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate Committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of J V. Hardenbergh, $250; David Bedford, $175; Wm. Whitley, $150; John D. Nolan, $150; Daily Telegraph, $150; Sylvester Keeney, $65 21; P. M. Senderling, $50; A, B. Reynolds, $48 52; Frederick Porrett, $47 88; Hutchinson & Wickersham, $46; Officers of Election, third ward, $35; Officers of Election, fourth ward, $35; F. P. Budden, $25; Judges of Election, first ward, $24; H. McComb, $20 92; R. A. & H. T. Wood, $19; P. H. Nugent, $14 39; D. W. Stone, $11; P. H. Nugent, $5 32; Burst & Co, $3 71; W. Hughes & Co., $3; P. H. Nugent, $1 75; W. D. Stivers, $1 42; R. & H T. Wood. 88 cents and 75 cents

A claim of Officers of Election second ward, amounting to $38, was presented and referred to Committee on Salaries Offices and Elections, afterwards reparted correct for $35 by said Committee and that amount ordered paid.

A claim of the Board of City Canvassers for services, amounting to $22, was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Subsequently the Committee asked for instructions as to whether Aldermen are entitled to pay for acting as Canvassers, and Alderman Hardenbergh moved "That the claim of the Board of City Canvassers be not allowed so far as the Aldermen are concerned."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenburgh, Van Vorst and Hankins:

Yeas – Aldermen J. M. Brown, Christie. Clarke, Decker, Erwin. Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride. McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, and Earle

Absent—None.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid viz:

Of Police Department, $1325 95; A. Love, $1242 80; George W. Cassedy, $500; Jacob Erwin, $162 84; R. D. McClelland, $150 and $88 77; George W. Cassedy. $75; Rea & Pollock, $66 76; Ward & McGown, $60 38; James McLaughlin, $59 80; S. Quaife, $56 16; James McLaughlin, $45 32; J. F. Richardson, $44 25; Clarkson Wilson, 40: James McLaughlin, $35 38; Hugh Riley, $28 83; Daily Telegraph. $23 38; John Marshall, $22 60; Hugh Billingsley, $17 50; H. A. Miller, $17 13; Mrs. Ann Eaton, $17; Thomas Royle, $16 89; W. B. Dunning, $16 05; Japhet Jardine, $15 39; W. T. Wier, $15; J. B. Cleveland, $13 32; J. F Richardson, $12 50; Isaac wakefield, $10 17; Rea & Pollock. $10 13; W. B. Dunning, $5 6; C. N. Betts, $4 97; W. B. Dunning, $4 81; Thomas Royle, $3 59; Rea & Pollock, $2 75; Thomas Royle, $2 72, W. B. Dunning, $1 68, and Thomas Royle, 93 cents.

A claim of Drayton & Durant amounting to $140 40, presented and referred to Committee on Alms April 5, 1859, was reported correct by said Committre for $140 44, and that amount ordered paid.

The claim of the Board of City Canvassers, amounting to $22, presented at this meeting and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Officers and Elections was reported correct.

On motion of Alderman Voorhies warrants were ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Phineas C. Dummer, James Lynch, Hugh Keenan and R. Skinner Tilden for two dollars each, for their services as members of the Board of City Canvassers.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application to have Newark avenue, between Warren and Grove streets, raised to the establishd grade, and repaved &c., and the same was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have the side walks on the east side of Grove street, north of Newark avenue improved by filling, refilling, or repairing" and the same was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have Morgan street, from Prospect to Greene streets filled to the established grade and paved," and the same was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have Coles street, between South Fourth street and the southerly side of South Second street filled up to the established grade, paved, &c., and the same was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "confirmation of assessment for regulating Morgan street, from Grove to Prospect street" and the same was received and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the Corporation Attorney stating that the suits between the city and Egbert L. Viele have been submitted to Asa Whitehead, Esq., as referee. &c.

The communication was received; and the following resolution was presented by Alderman Voorhies and adopted:

Resolved, That the course pursued by the City Attorney in reference to suits against Egbert L. Viele and John M. Cornelison, and suit by Egbert L. Viele against the city meets the approbation of the Common Council.

Alderman W. R. Brown to whom was referred February 1, 1859, the report of the City Marshal containing list of fines against absentees of the Common Council for the quarter ending January 31, 1859, returned the same. The report was

laid upon the table.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred April 5. 1859, the petition of Henry Stiff in relation to the sale of his lot in Montgomery street for taxes of 1856, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sale made by this corporation on the 23d march, 1 57. for taxes of 1856, of lot 57 Montgomery street, block 32 be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that an error occurred in the advertisement of sale by which said lot was sold for $86 2, instead of $36 2 ; and that a warrant for the purchase money eighty-six dollars and two cents with the interest thereon from the date of said sale at the rate of seven per cent per annum be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser, Benjamin O Edge, and be delivered to him on his surendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Commit.ee on Finance to whom was referred April 5, 1859, the petition of the vestry of St. Matthew's church in relation to taxes on their property, presented a report setting forth that said property is exempt from taxation, &c. The report was received and adopted.

The committee on finance to whom was referred April 5, 159, the petition of John Post, asking to have cancelled the sale made March 23, 1857, of lot 7 Warren street, in block 43 for taxes of 1856, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That the sale made by this Corporation on the 23d March, 1857. of lot seven (7) Warren street, in block forty-eight (48) for taxes of 1856, be cancelled, of record by the City Clerk, for the reason that the taxes for that year on said lot were previously paid to the Colleter, and that an error was committed by the assessors in respect to that lot; and that a warrant for the purchase money amounting to seven dollars and sixty-six cents and the interest thereon, from the date of sale at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser, John B. Vroom, and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance to whom was referred April 5, 1859 the petition of S. Alofsen, in relation to erroneous tax of 1856, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That the sale made by this Corporation on the 23d March, 1857, of part of lot thirty-three (33) Washington street, in block forty-nine, (49) for taxes of 1856, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk, for the reason that the taxes for that year were previously paid to the Collector and that an error was committed by the assessors in respect to that part of a lot; and that a warrant for the purchase money amounting to twelve dollars and fifty-four cents, and the interest thereon, from the date of sale at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser, John B Vroon, and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said part of a lot.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance to whom was referred April 5, 1859, the petition of Francis Jenkins, executor of the estate of Timothy L. Smith, deceased, in relation to sales of property of said estate for taxes, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the privilege is hereby granted to the estate of Timothy L. Smith, to redeem any lot or lots belonging to them which may have been sold by the Corporation of Jersey City to the City Treasurer, on payment of the amount for which the same was or were sold, together with the interest thereon, named in the City Charter, fifteen per cent. per annum from the date of each sale) and the costs for certificates for redemption ; and the City Clerk and Comptroller are hereby directed to issue, countersign, &c. the necessary certificates, and the Treasurer to receive the amount due on the same in the same manner as though the time allowed for redemption had not expired.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on assessments presented a report respecting a settlement of assessment, on the property of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, for filling Warren street between Montgomery street and Morgan street; the report being accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That the sale made by this Corporation on the 11th August, 1854. of whole face of block 34, assessed to N. J. R. R. & Trans. Co. for filling Warren street between Montgomery street and Morgan street, be cancelled, of record by the City Clerk. whenever the Treasurer shall file with the City Clerk a certificate that the amount for which said property was sold ($551 33) and the interest thereon, at and after the rate of seven per cent. per annum, from the date of sale (August 11, 1854,) until the same be paid, has been paid into the City Treasury, by the owners of said property, provided this proposition be accepted, and the terms of this resolution complied with within twenty days

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on Assessments to whom were referred March 1st, 1859, to be assessed the claims of I. B. & D. R. Culver, amounting to forty seven dollars, Enos Cole amounting to twelve hundred and thirty-three dollars and seventy-two cents. and John Wiseman amounting to eighty two dollars and fifty cents presented a report stating that said claims have been assessed, &c. The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred January 18th, 1859, the petition of R. Madigan to have an adjustment made of the claim against his lot 170 Bright street, for the assessment made in 1852 for the improvement of said street. and February 23d 1658, the petition of John S. Bartlett for reduction of assessment on his lot 133 Morgan street; block 50, sold August 11, 1854, for assessment for filling Warren street, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the sale made by the corporation of Jersey City on the 1st July, 1853, of lot 170 Bright street assessed to P. Madigan for earth filling on Bright street between Grove and Barrow streets be cancelled of record by the City Clerk whenever the Treasurer shall file with the City Clerk a certificate that the amount for which said lot was so sold, ($38 80 cts.) and the interest thereon at and after the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of sale (July 1st, 1853,) until the same be paid, has been paid into the City Treasury by the owner of said lot

Resolved, That the sale made by the corporation of Jersey City, on the 11th August, 1854, of lot 133 Morgan street, in block 50, assessed to J. S. Bartlett, for filling Warren street between Montgomery and Morgan streets be cancelled of record by the City Clerk whenever the Treasurer shall file with the City Clerk a certificate that the amount for which said lot was sold ($142 29 cts) and the interest thereon at and after the rate of seven per cent per annum from the date of sale (August 11th 1854) until the same be paid, has been paid into the City Treasury by the owner of said lot.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted,

The committee on Streets to whom was referred March 1st. 1859, the petition of Edward P. Torry and others, to have Morgan street from Prospect to Greene streets filled to the established grade and paved, and April 5th, 1859, the remonstrance of G E. Winants and others against the above improvement, presented a favorable report thereon submitting the following entitled ordinance, viz:

" An Ordinance to provide for the filling in to the established grade and paving Morgan street from Prospect to Greene streets."

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The committee on Streets to whom was referred March 1st 1859, the petition of S. M. Hoffman and others to have Newark avenue between Warren and Grove streets raised to the established grade, &c., presented a report stating that it would be injudicious to make the improvement prayed for until after the sewer application now pending before the Common Council is disposed of, &c. The report was received and adopted.

The committee on Streets to whom was referred April 5. 1859, the petition of George E. Grenzeback and others to have Jersey street opened from Railroad avenue to Newark avenue, presented a report theron accompanied by the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing :

Resolved, That Friday May 7th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock P. M. at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street is hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the committee on Streets of the Common Council of Jersey City, will meet for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties in-

terested in the application presented to the Common Council April 5th, 1859, by George E. Grenzeback and others to have Jersey street, opened from Railroad avenue to Newark avenue eighty feet wide where the same is not already opened and in a continuous line with Jersey street, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the two Jersey City papers for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on Streets to whom was referred March 15th, 1859, the petition of David Bedford and others to have Coles street between South Fourth street and the southerly side of South Second street, filled to the established grade, paved, curbed, guttered, &c., presented a favorable report thereon, submitting the following entitled ordinance, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade curbing, guttering and paving and laying cross walks at all intersections in Coles street between South Fourth street and the south side of South Second street."

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The Committee on Streets presented a report submitting three proposals, received by them in answer to their advertisement, for the contract to pave the side walk with a four foot flag between Morris and Essex streets on the west side of Warren and also fifty feet on Essex street west of Warren and recommending that the proposals be opened and read.

The report was received and adopted.

The proposals were opened, read and found to be from James F. Fielder, John Wilson, and James S. Noyes. The proposals were laid upon the table.

The Committee on Streets presented a report submitting four sealed proposals, received by them in answer to their advertisement, for the contract to regulate South Second street, from Newark avenue to the easterly side of Provost street, including intersections, and recommending that said proposals be opened and read. The report was received and adopted.

The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from John Wilson, James F. Fielder, Charles Guidet and James S. Noyes The proposals were laid upon the table.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred March 15, 1859, the petion of John J. Warner and others, to have a culvert and receiving basin constructed on the south-east corner of Greene and Grand streets, to connect with the sewer in Grand street, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Wednesday May 4, 1859, at 8 o'clock P. M., and the same is hereby appointed as the time, and the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street as the place, when and where the Committee on Sewers of the Common Council of Jersey City will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application presented to this Common Council March 15, 1859, of John J. Warner, O P. Brown and George S. Gardner, to have a culvert and receiving basin constructed on the south-east corner of Greene and Grand streets, the same to connect with the sewer in Grand street: and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Jersey City papers for the length of time required by the city charter, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and to embrace in the said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners in their communication presented to this Common Council, April 5, 1859.—The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred March 15, 1859, the petition of George McLaughlin and others for the construction of a sewer on the Water Commissioners plan of the same dimensions as the present sewer in Wayne street, and to connect with the said sewer at Warren street, thence running through Warren street and Newark avenue to Henderson street, &c. presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Wednesday, May 4, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock, P M., be and the same is hereby appointed as the time and the City Clerk's office. No. 23 Montgomery street as the place, when and where the Committee on Sewers of the Common Council of Jersey City will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application of George McLaughlin and others, owners of real estate on Newark avenue, between Warren and Henderson streets, presented to this Common Council, March 15, 1859, praying for the construction of a sewer in Warren street to connect with the Wayne street sewer at Warren street thence running through Warren street and Newark avenue to Henderson street; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Jersey City papers for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the presentation of said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and to embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners in their communication presented to this Common Council, April 5, 1859.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings to whom were referred April 5, 1859, the eight proposals for the contract to erect a Station House and Bell Tower, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proposal of Hunt & Armstrong to furnish the materials and erect a Station House and Bell Tower on the property recently purchased by the city on Gregory street, be accepted and that said contract be awarded to them on their giving the required security for the fulfillment of said contract, and that contracts be prepared by the corporation attorney, under the direction of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, conformable to said proposal and the specifications, and be executed on the part of the city by the Mayor and City Clerk. under its Corporate seal, on the requisition of said Committee, after said contracts and a bond for their fulfillment shall have been executed by said Hunt & Armstrong, and their surieties to the satisfaction of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings and the Mayor of the City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen J. M. Brown, Tilden and Erwin:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen Christie, Erwin, Tilden and Wickware.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Public Health to whom was referred, November 23, 1858, the petition of James Flemming and others, and on the 1st February, 1859, the petition of Wm. Murtagh, for the abatement of nuisances, presented a report thereon, stating that inasmuch as there is an ordinance on the table at the present time for the abatement of nuisances of this character, the Committee deem it unnecessary to take any action in the particular cases referred to in the petitions. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Public Health to whom were referred April 5, 1859, the petition of David W. Tophane and the petition of H. Goetschius and others, for the abatement of nuisances, presented a report thereon, stating that inasmuch as there is an ordinance on the table at the present time for the abatement of nuisances of this character, the Committee deem it unnecessary to take any action in the particular cases referred to in the petitions. The report was received and adopted

The Committee on Streets returned the following described petitions referred to them April 5, 1859:

Of Samuel Wescott and others for the construction of a horse railroad through Jersey City.

Of Dudley S. Gregory and others for the construction of a horse railroad through Jersey City.

Of Andrew Clancey and others for the opening of a passage way through the railroad fence at the crossing of Coles st. to allow pedestrians to pass through, &c.

The petitions were laid upon the table as unfinished business.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Resolved, That the two houses and lots on Newark ave., belonging to the city, be let under the direction of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, to Mrs. Gibson at the same rent she is now paying for the same, the city reserving the right to terminate the lease at any time, by giving her two months' notice. The lease to be signed by

the Mayor and City Clerk on the part of the City, and by Mrs. Gibson for herself. The lease to be filed in the Comptroller's office. The Comptroller is hereby directed to collect the rent of said premises, quarterly, and the Corporation Attorney be directed to draw up the lease.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman W. R. Brown and adopted.

Resolved, That John Wilson be and is hereby authorized to put down crosswalks opposite Washington Square, at an expense not to exceed 26 cents per foot.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That when this Board adjourn, it will adjourn to meet again at this Common Council Chamber, on the 1st Monday in May next, for the purpose of approving the minutes only.

Alderman Tilden presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer of Samuel Wescott and others, respecting the Jersey City and Hoboken horse railroad, asking permission to lay down their tracks, commencing near the northerly bounds of the City, thence down Grove street to Newark avenue, thence down Newark avenue and Montgomery street to the Jersey City Ferry, be and is hereby granted, provided that the said Company shall lay one track only in Wayne street, from Grove to Gregory street, through Gregory to York street, through York to Hudson street, along Hudson to Montgomery street, up Montgomery street to Newark avenue, up Newark avenue to Grove or Erie street, and that both of the horse railroad companies whose petitions have been presented to this Common Council shall have equal privileges and bear equal portions of the expense of laying said tracks and keeping the same in repair, and that the Railroad Company shall keep in repair the street on either side of their track, and shall pay into the City Treasury such sums for license as the Common Council may from year to year require.

Alderman McLaughlin moved, That the consideration of the resolution be postponed.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, McLaughlin and Voorhies:

Yeas—Aldermen J. M. Brown, Clarke, Decker Earle, Hankins and McLaughlin.

Nays—President Thurston and Aldermen W. R. Brown, Christie, Erwin, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Absent—None.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Erwin, Voorhies and Wickware:

Yeas—President Thurston and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden, Van Vorst, Voorhies and Wickware.

Nays—Aldermen Decker and Earle.

Absent—None.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That a Committee of one from each ward be appointed to enquire into the propriety of having the offices of Comptroller, Street Commissioner, City Attorney, City Collector and Collector of Arears of Taxes located in one and the same room or building.

Alderman Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Earle, and Tilden were appointed the Committee.

On motion of Alderman Hankins, it was

Resolved—That the plans of the Third Ward Public School House be returned to Mr. Quaife, the architect.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, it was

Resolved—That the City Clerk be directed to publish in the Jersey City papers, a notice inviting the Common Council elect, and the City Officers to meet the Common Council at the City Clerk's Office, on Wednesday, the 27th instant, at 9 o'clock A. M, to proceed to Brooklyn to attend the celebration of the introduction of water into that city

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh, and unanimously adopted

Resolved—That the thanks of this Board be and are hereby tendered to Jonathan V. Thurston, Esq. for the faithful and strictly impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of presiding officer of this Board, and that in retiring from the duties of president of the Board of Aldermen for the year ending May 1st, 1859, he carries with him the high respect of the members of this Common Council.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Erwin, and unanimously adopted.

Resolved—That the thanks of the members of the Board are hereby tendered to George W. Cassedy, for the capable and efficient manner in which he has performed the duties of City Clerk, and Clerk of this Common Council.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, it was unanimously

Resolved—That the thanks of this Common Council are hereby tendered to Marshal Ellis, for the affable and courteous manner in which he has performed the duties of his office during the past year.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Adjourned Regular Meeting at the Common Council Chamber Monday, May 2d, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Thurston, and Aldermen J. M. Brown, W. R. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Erwin, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden Van Vorst and Voorhies.

Absent—Alderman Wickware,

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 19, 1859, were read and approved.

Alderman Hardenbergh offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted.

Resolved—That we tender to those Members of this Board who retire from official action in the next Board the assurances of our continued respect and confidence, with our best wishes for their health and prosperity.

Aldermen Erwin and Voorhies addressed the Board in response to the resolution.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board then adjourned sine die.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk

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